

Santa Ana Elks Lodge No. 794

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks

ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

History of the Athletic Scholarship

This scholarship was created and sponsored by the Santa Ana Elks Lodge #794, Monday Night Football Committee in 2022. Currently the Athletic Scholarships are funded as part of the Santa Ana Elks #794 Scholarship Program.

Scholarship Award

Scholarships are awarded based on the qualifications of applicants and funds available. For the 2025-2026 academic year, the following scholarships will be awarded:

\$2,000 - one male & one female athlete \$1,000 - one male & one female athlete

Qualification of Applicants

To qualify for the Athletic Scholarship, applicants must meet all of the following:

- 1. Believe in God;
- Must be a Senior in High School in the cities of Santa Ana, Tustin, or Irvine;
- 3. Have a GPA of 3.0 or higher;
- 4. Either currently on or have participated in CIF-sanctioned sport(s) in your school and provide verification thereof. Include the number of years you participated in each sport;
- Provide 2 letters of recommendation. These may be from your Counselor, Athletic Director, Coach, and/or Teacher or other person who knows you well:
- 6. Submit an essay of 500-750 words on how being an athlete has impacted or influenced you. Include any facts, circumstances, or hardships you feel the Committee should know;
- 7. Submit an unofficial transcript;
- 8. Complete the Athletic Scholarship Application in its entirety.

Scoring of Applications

The Scholarship Committee will assess the applications and select the winners.

Winners will receive a "**Verification of Enrollment**" form to be completed **after** you have enrolled at the school you will be attending. When the Lodge receives that form and the required documentation of enrollment, a check will be sent as described on the verification form. If you elect to delay using the scholarship in the academic year for which it was awarded, a written request must be made to the Scholarship Committee. The scholarship must be used within 18 months of its receipt.

Applications must be received by the Santa Ana Elks Lodge no later than 5:00 pm February 1, 2026

Drop off, mail, or email to:

Santa Ana Elks Scholarship c/o Sheryl Franke 1751 S. Lyon Street, Santa Ana, CA 92705 ScholarshipsSantaAnaElks@gmail.com

ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Personal Information

Name	Date of birth
Street Address	
City, State & Zip	
Telephone Number	
Email address	
School currently attending	
School planning to att	end
Anticipated major	

By initialing here, I affirm that all of the information set forth in this application, including all of the documents submitted, are true and correct to my knowledge and that no information or materials have been falsified in any way _____ (initials)

Essay (80% of overall score)

Essay #1: On a separate document, submit an essay of 500-750 words, double-spaced. Describe how being an athlete has impacted or influenced you. Give specific examples. Has it been the sport, the teammates, coaches, family, school community, etc.? How has your participation changed you as a person?

Letters of Recommendation (20% of overall score)

Provide/attach 2 letters of recommendation from your Counselor, Athletic Director, Coach, and/or Teacher.

Instructions for Organizing Final Application

- The application and attachments may be submitted via email to: <u>ScholarshipsSantaAnaElks@gmail.com</u>. Or you may print it out and submit a hard copy to: Santa Ana Elks Scholarship, c/o Sheryl Franke, 1751 S. Lyon Street. Santa Ana, CA 92705.
- 2. Ensure all of the following are included in the final submission:
 - a. Application
 - b. Verification of participation in a CIF-sanctioned sport at your school
 - c. Essay
 - d. 2 Letters of Recommendation (may be attached to the scholarship application or may be emailed/mailed by the counselor, teacher, etc. directly to the email or address listed above)
 - e. Unofficial transcript

Thank you for applying for the Athletic Scholarship.

All applicants will be notified following judging which will be completed on or before the end of February 2026.

Questions regarding completion of this application? Please contact Sheryl Franke at (714)454-0605 or sherylfranke1@gmail.com