



2023 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Dear Student Applicant,

The American Petroleum Institute San Joaquin Valley Chapter awards scholarships to young men and women who wish to pursue a career in the petroleum industry or a closely related field. These scholarships are awarded to hard working, dedicated, and deserving students who are graduating high school seniors or continuing college students who will be attending college or trade school in the fall. When submitting your applications for consideration, we expect students to be straightforward and sincere.

PLEASE SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING:

1. Scholarship Application Data Sheet (attached): You may organize the information required on the Data Sheet in resume form if you wish.
2. Letters of Recommendation: A minimum of two and a maximum of three ***recent*** letters. A school instructor who is familiar with your current academic accomplishments should submit at least one of these.
3. Academic Transcript: Must be on high school/college/university letterhead. Please submit current or most recent transcript showing courses taken and grades earned during the past two years.
4. Proof of Enrollment: Recipient must be enrolled as a full-time student (12 or more credit hours) at an accredited college or university. Proof of enrollment must be received prior to disbursement of scholarship funds but is not required at the time of submittal of the scholarship application.
5. Essay: Please submit a short essay of approximately *500 words for two essay questions* and *200 words for the informational question* that are found later in the application.
6. Email Documents: Applications will be required to be emailed to all committee members. Scan and attach all documents in .pdf format. Transcripts and letters of recommendations can be sent via U.S. Mail if needed. If it is necessary that you need to mail the application, we will accept it, but the preference is by email. For any hardships, please contact the Scholarship Committee Chair below.



San Joaquin Valley Chapter

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

Applications must be received no later than Friday, March 31, 2023. Post mark must be dated no later than March 31, 2023, if received by mail to the below address. Hand delivered by 4:00 pm to address below. Email by 11:59 pm to email addresses below. Again, email is preferred.

Scholarship recipients will be contacted by Wednesday, May 17th, 2023 by email.

Scholarship recipients, or their approved proxies, must be present on awards night, Tuesday, June 20, 2023. Information on dinner will follow.

EVALUATION CRITERIA:

1. All information must be complete, accurate, and verifiable.
2. Recipient must be enrolled as a full-time student (12 or more credit hours) at an accredited college, university, or trade school and be a current resident of Kern County. Proof of enrollment is required prior to disbursement of funds, but not necessary at the time of scholarship application.
3. The selected essay questions must be addressed completely. The essays will be evaluated on content, grammar, organization, and originality.
4. Applications will be evaluated based upon the factors written above as well as current letters of recommendation, academics, community involvement, activities, and relation to a member of the SJV Chapter of the API. Commitment to the oil industry.

Please note: Being related to an API member is not necessary to receive an API scholarship, nor does it guarantee you will receive one.

SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION WITH OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS TO:

Mike Handren – Scholarship Committee Chair – mhandren@yahoo.com
James McClard - Scholarship Committee – james.mcclard24@gmail.com
Brian Burt - Scholarship Committee – burtbw25@yahoo.com
Eric Bartz – Scholarship Committee – stephen.bartz@crc.com

Or by USPS mail to: Mike Handren
 12309 Ashentree Lane
 Bakersfield, CA 93312

We look forward to receiving your timely application. If you have any questions, please contact one of the committee members via email.



Please answer the two essay questions below. Each question should be answered in a short essay of approximately 500 words.

Essay Question # 1:

Political forces seem to be trying to end the oil industry particularly in California, and in the U.S. in general. California currently imports 65-70% (~1 million barrels every day) of the oil it consumes via tankers today. Some believe that oil production should be stopped in CA. What are the potential impacts to the state of CA & Kern County, in particular, if oil production ceases? What are the impacts to the USA if environmentalists destroy the oil industry?

Essay Question # 2:

Governor Newsome has mandated that all new vehicles purchased in California by 2035 must be electric vehicles, while also calling for the shutting down of nuclear power plants and fossil fuel powered (natural gas or coal) electrical generation. Given the current demands on the electrical infrastructure in California, is this a reasonable mandate? Are there missing pieces in this mandate for electric vehicles? Can you propose a better solution?

Please answer the informational question below with a short essay of approximately 200 words.

Informal Informational Question:

Describe how your course of studies relates to the energy, oil, and gas industry and what your role will be after graduation. Explain your intended contributions to our industry.



2023 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DATA SHEET

Name _____

Telephone # and e-mail _____

Mailing Address & Zip Code _____

High school attending (if applicable) _____

College/University attending in 2023-2024 _____

Current or Proposed College Major _____

Year in School _____ GPA: Last Term _____ Overall _____

Name of Academic Counselor _____

Academic Counselor Phone # _____

Activities: Use additional sheets if necessary. Include Educational Activities (Student Government, Clubs, Awards, Sports, etc.), Community Involvement (Volunteer Activities, Organizations, etc.), and any Petroleum/Professional Affiliations

SJV-API Chapter Member that you have a relationship with:

List any special considerations which you feel are pertinent. _____

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