

USA Track and Field Journey to Gold Scholarship

About USATF

Based in Indianapolis, USA Track and Field (USATF) is the National Governing Body for track and field, long distance running, and race walking in the United States. USATF encompasses the world's oldest organized sports, the most-watched events of Olympic broadcasts, the number one High School and Middle School participatory sport and engages more than 30 million adult runners in the United States.

USATF offers the **Journey to Gold Scholarships** in the amount of \$5,000.00 to be awarded to High School Seniors who have committed to a College or University with the overall goal focused on achieving gold in their academic and professional life.

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Application Requirements & Criteria

Scholarship Information

USATF will award \$5,000.00 Journey to Gold Scholarships to High School Seniors who have committed to a college or university with their mind set on achieving gold in their academic and professional life. Applicants will be eligible to receive a scholarship based on any applicable organization guidelines (NCAA, High School Federation, etc.).

The JTG Scholarship is intended to be utilized at the discretion of the recipient.

Eligibility Criteria

To be considered for a Journey to Gold Scholarship the applicant must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- 1) Must be a U.S. Citizen
- 2) Must have competed and/or are currently active in Track and Field
- 3) Must have an active USATF Membership Account
- 4) Must be a current High School Senior or have graduated in the current year
- 5) Currently accepted into a College or University

***Employees of USA Track & Field, Inc., (“USATF”), its affiliates, subsidiaries, and agencies (collectively “USATF Parties”), and members of their immediate family or persons living in the same household are not eligible to apply for this scholarship.**

Application Deadline

The deadline to submit all required application documents is **May 31, 2024**.

All required documents must be electronically submitted to JTGScholarship@usatf.org.

Application Requirements

The following documents must be submitted in order to be considered for a Journey to Gold Scholarship:

- 1) Completed Application
- 2) Copy of your high school transcript
- 3) Two (2) Letters of Recommendation
 - a. Each letter must comment on your personal characteristics, success on and off the track and your future goals
 - i. A letter from your track coach/trainer
 - ii. A letter from someone who knows you best
- 4) Acceptance letter from the college or university that you are enrolled in

Scholarship Timeline

May 31, 2024: Application submitted electronically to JTGScholarship@usatf.org.

June 30, 2024: Applications review process by the USATF Selection Committee.

July 18, 2024: Journey to Gold Scholarship recipients announced/notified.

*Scholarship Timeline dates may be subject to change by USATF Staff and Selection Committee

NCAA Eligibility Information

Prior to accepting the “USATF Journey to Gold” Scholarship, please access and download the applicable NCAA Division Manual to assure eligibility (www.ncaapublications.com).

Journey to Gold Scholarship Questions

For additional questions regarding the Journey to Gold Scholarship, please email JTGScholarship@usatf.org.

USA Track and Field Journey to Gold Scholarship Application

Application Deadline: May 31, 2024, by 5:00 PM EST

Applicant General Information

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Applicant High School Information

High School Name: _____ High School GPA: _____

Provide extracurricular activities that you participated in during High School
(Include any leadership roles that you may have held)

Applicant College/University Information

College/University Name: _____ Location: _____

What are you interested in majoring in? _____

Will you be a student-athlete while attending the College/University? Yes___ No___

If yes, what sport(s) will you be involved with? _____

School/Community Involvement

Were you involved in any academic or school-based organizations or clubs?

Are you involved in any community organizations or projects outside of school?

Track and Field Questions

Please describe all your accomplishments while you have been a Track and Field Athlete (Awards received, records set, events you participate in, years involved in the sport, etc.)

Who is your favorite Track and Field Athlete and why? What is your favorite track and field event to watch and why?

Describe your involvement with USA Track and Field (Are you a member of a club, competed in any sanctioned events, etc.)

Journey to Gold Scholarship Questions

What would it mean to you to be a recipient of a USATF Journey to Gold Scholarship?

Why do you think you deserve the recognition of being a USATF JTG Scholarship Recipient?

Please provide any other comments that you may have regarding the USATF JTG Scholarship.

Journey to Gold Scholarship Reminders

Prior to electronically returning the Journey to Gold Scholarship application to USATF, please be certain that the following is included in your application. Failure to provide all the requested documents could impact your eligibility to be considered for the scholarship.

Checklist:

- _____ Completed Application
- _____ Copy of your High School Transcript
- _____ Letter of Recommendation from your track coach/trainer
- _____ Letter of Recommendation from someone who knows you best
- _____ Acceptance letter from the college/university that you will be attending

Your Journey to Gold Scholarship Application must be submitted electronically to JTGScholarship@usatf.org no later than May 31, 2024.

By submitting the application and signing below, I hereby agree that the information contained in the scholarship application is true and accurate. If for any reason that the submitted information is incorrect, I will forfeit the right to be a recipient of a USATF Journey to Gold Scholarship.

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____