

Greetings,

We are so pleased to have received a Coolidge Scholarship application from a student at your school in the past. We write to let you know that the **2023-24 Coolidge Scholarship application is now live**. We hope you will share this opportunity with interested high school juniors this year.

A quick refresher: **the Coolidge Scholarship is a full-ride, four-year, merit scholarship that recipients may use for undergraduate study at any accredited college or university in the United States.** Any high school **junior** who plans to enroll in college in the fall of 2025 and is an American citizen or legal permanent resident is eligible to apply (current high school seniors are not eligible to apply). Winners may use the scholarship to pursue any academic major.

Academic excellence is the primary criterion considered by the Coolidge Scholarship. Secondary criteria include an interest in public policy and an appreciation of the values President Coolidge championed. Successful candidates will also demonstrate humility and have a record of genuine service to their communities. A complete description of the scholarship's criteria, along with the online application and much more information, is available at **coolidgescholars.org**.

The competition for the Coolidge Scholarship is significant -- only a few new Coolidge Scholarships are awarded each year from a pool of candidates that spans the entire country. Even so, students have reported to us in past years they were glad to have applied even if they did not win because the experience helped prepare them for college applications later on. Furthermore, the Coolidge Foundation invites one hundred of the top Coolidge Scholarship applicants to participate in the Coolidge Senators Program, which includes an all-expenses-paid summit gathering and a \$1,000 scholarship. Scholarship applicants are automatically considered for the Senators Program.

Alert: the application requires that candidates read President Coolidge's *Autobiography* and a few other readings and then write three essays. We therefore encourage students to begin the application early. Candidates who begin the application at the last minute are unlikely to be successful. **The submission deadline is 5:00 PM Pacific time, Thursday, January 18, 2024.**

We hope you will share this opportunity with outstanding high school juniors at your school. The scholarship application, along with additional information, can be accessed on our scholarship site: **coolidgescholars.org**. Questions? We can be reached by phone at (202) 827-4291 or by email at **coolidgescholars@coolidgefoundation.org**.

With kind regards,

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