

Armed Forces Day FESTIVAL

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Ambassadors Scholarship Application

Entry Deadline:
Friday, April 17, 2026 - 4:00PM

Sponsored by:



This is not just an opportunity to represent your community but also a chance to become part of the prestigious 2026 Armed Forces Parade as a Community Ambassador. The Ambassadors Scholarship program is not just about the scholarships it awards to future your education. It's about the life-changing experiences it offers.



TO APPLY, COMPLETE THE ATTACHED APPLICATION FORM

You'll also need to submit three letters of recommendation, a copy of your high school transcript, and a short essay (300 to 500 words) entitled "What Being an American Citizen Means to Me."

An application packet must be **submitted to the Greater Kitsap Chamber** (Silverdale Office) by 4:00pm on Friday, April 17, 2026. Finalists will then be selected to participate in the 2026 Youth Ambassador program. Please be sure you are available on the dates below to participate.

AMBASSADOR CALENDAR

Application packet due	Friday, April 17, 2026 - 4:00pm
Finalist Notification	Friday, May 1, 2026
Photo Shoot #1	Tuesday, May 6, 2026 - Noon to 4:00pm Chamber Office - Bremerton
Armed Forces Day Parade & Events	Saturday, May 16, 2026
Bremerton Central Lions Club Pancake Breakfast	8:00am to 9:30am
Armed Forces Forces Day Parade <i>Ambassadors will participate in the Parade</i>	10:00am
Heroes Barbeque & Information Fair	11:00am
Navy League Armed Forces Day Gala	6:00pm @ Kitsap Golf & Country Club
Scholarship Award Presentation at the Greater Kitsap Chamber Luncheon	Wednesday, May 27, 2026 Kitsap Conference Center - 11:00am to 1:00pm

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APPLICANTS MUST:

- US Armed Forces Dependent or Direct Descendant (Son, daughter, step-child, grandchild)
- Be a resident of Kitsap County
- Be between the ages of 17 and 21 (as of January 31, 2026)
- Have at least 3.00 cumulative high school grade point average
- Be of good moral character
- Agree to participate in Armed Forces Day Parade and other requested events on Saturday, May 16, 2026.
- Complete all appropriate forms and agreements
- Agree to wear the provided Ambassador shirt during the parade.
- Attend the Greater Kitsap Chamber Lunch on Wednesday, May 27, 2026, 11:30am to 12:30pm, Kitsap Conference Center
- Write a personal thank you note/letter to the sponsoring organizations.
- Give permission to the Greater Kitsap Chamber to take photographs and/or video to be used in promotional material (newsletter, community guides, newspaper, etc.)

Finalists will be notified by Friday, May 1, 2026

Name of Applicant _____ Birthday _____

Name(s) of Parent(s)/Legal _____

Guardian Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Contact Name _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email Address _____

Alternative Contact _____ Phone _____

Email _____

School _____ GPA _____

Employer _____ Supervisor's Name _____

Phone _____ Email _____

T-Shirt Size _____



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Please list off extra-curricular school activities, civic and community involvement:

(Additional one-page accepted)

AGREEMENT

I have read and understand the rules and criteria of the 2026 Armed Forces Parade Ambassadors Scholarship Program, including that finalists must be available to participate in Armed Forces Day activities (Saturday, May 16, 2026). Furthermore, I agree to follow the rules outlined and certify that the information I have provided is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also understand that any violation of the outlined rules may result in my removal from the program.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

I, the parent and/or legal guardian of the applicant, give my permission for her/his participation in the activities leading up to and including the 2026 Armed Forces Parade Ambassadors Scholarship Program, as well as any photos and social media of my student.

Parent/Guardian's Signature _____ Date _____

Application packet must include:

- Completed application and high school transcripts
- Short essay (300-500 words) entitled "What being an American Citizen Means to Me"
- Letters of recommendation from three adults not related to the applicant