



*Czechoslovak
Society of America*

Scholarship Program Information and Introduction



Dear CSA Scholarship Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in the Scholarship Program of the Czechoslovak Society of America. This series of forms and instructions contains all of the information you will need to apply for a scholarship. Please take the time to read the **Rules, Regulations, and Deadlines**.

Important information regarding timelines, required documentation, and reporting is included in this document.

- Complete our application in full and send it via mail or email.
- Essays should be typed or written legibly in ink. (Remember, your application will be reviewed by a committee; please make sure all information is legible and neatly presented.)
- Arrange for transcripts to be sent to the Czechoslovak Society of America. Official transcripts may be sent separately; however, both the application and the transcripts must be received by **March 15th, 2026**.
- **IMPORTANT:** Include a high-resolution photograph of yourself that we can reproduce in our monthly *Journal*, should you be awarded a scholarship.

If you are granted a scholarship award, then you must return the **Recipient Information Form**, which will give us the name and address of the school you will be attending. This address is where we will be sending your scholarship award. Deadline is **July 2nd, 2026**.

This Scholarship has become a one-time offer, as of 2017.

Any questions you have can be answered by calling the Fraternal Department at 1-800-779-1936. All application documents may be emailed to Kelly at kdeegan@betterlifeins.com or mailed to 2050 Finley Road, Suite 70, Lombard, IL 60148.

Fraternally,

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Fraternal Programs Manager
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Scholarship Program

Rules, Regulations, and Deadlines Undergraduate Studies



Please read all rules and instructions carefully. If you have any questions, you can contact the Fraternal Department. Incomplete applications cannot be considered. You must type or write legibly in ink. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

GENERAL: Payments will be made only to the school. If your tuition is due before our grants are sent, please make arrangements for your school to give you a refund or credit when our grant arrives, should you have to pay what your grant will later cover. Scholarship recipients must repay the grant if the year for which the award was granted is not completed. If you withdraw from school during the term, you must notify the Fraternal Department, and you will be expected to repay the unused portion. Scholarship grants are available for students pursuing an undergraduate degree at an accredited junior college, college, or university on a full-time basis (Full-time is defined as a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester for at least two semesters per academic year.) Students planning on attending a technical/vocational school full-time are also eligible for an award.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Applicant must be a member in good standing of the Czechoslovak Society of America for a minimum of two (2) continuous years at the time of application. Premiums paid in advance will not be considered in determining the duration of membership.
- Applicants must have at least \$5,000 face value in permanent life insurance or \$1,000 cash value in an annuity.
- Only applicants with a cumulative 3.0 or higher GPA (based on a 4.0 scale) upon graduation from high school may apply. Students already attending college must submit college transcripts, which indicate a 3.0 GPA (based on a 4.0 scale). Students applying for a scholarship who have not yet completed a full year of undergraduate studies must submit their high school transcripts, indicating a GPA of 3.0 or better. ACT or SAT score sheets must be included in your application.
- A grant recipient must remain the Czechoslovak Society of America in good standing throughout the period covered by the award. If membership should cease during the academic period covered by the grant, the Society will expect reimbursement of the award.
- Determining qualification factors include grade point average (25 points), college test scores (30 points), extracurricular activities, including the Czechoslovak Society of America activities (15 points), and essay (30 points). An independent party will evaluate essays. Total points will determine the monetary amount of each award.



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APPLICANT SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

- Completed application sent by **March 15th, 2026**.
- Typed or legibly written essay.
- Head-and-shoulder photo for publication in *the Journal*. (Please DO NOT staple a photo to your application.)
- Transcripts sent to the Czechoslovak Society of America that include a complete record of grade point average, ACT or SAT scores, and class rank from your high school through seven (7) semesters.
- Completed **Recipient Information Form**, if you are granted a scholarship, should be returned to the Fraternal Department by **July 2nd, 2026**. Checks will be mailed to your college or university of choice only after the **Recipient Information Form** (included in this application packet) is received from the applicant.

DEADLINES:

March 15th — **Application Form** and official transcripts for applicants.

July 2nd — **Recipient Information Form** for applicants

Awards will be announced through the mail and published in *the Journal*. Completed application and/or forms should be returned to:

Czechoslovak Society of America
Attn: Fraternal Dept.
2050 Finley Rd., Ste. 70
Lombard, IL 60148

OR
kdeegan@betterlifeins.com
Phone: 1-800-779-1936



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Application # _____
(please leave blank)

**Application Form
Due: March 15th**

Name _____

Month & Year of (expected) Graduation _____

Policy Certificate # _____ Effective date _____

Type of coverage _____ Policy face value _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Soc. Sec. # _____ Date of Birth _____

Member of Lodge _____ No. _____

Student's Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email Address _____

Parent/Guardian Daytime Phone _____

High School Attended _____

High School Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Cumulative GPA: _____ / _____ on a weighted or unweighted point scale (please check the appropriate box)

College entrance exam composite scores: ACT _____ SAT _____

Be sure to submit an official High School transcript verifying class rank, class size, GPA, and test scores.





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Due: March 15th*



Name of college or university you plan to attend: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Intended major & profession: _____

List participation in community/civic organizations, extra-curricular school activities, and the Czechoslovak Society of America activities (use additional sheets if necessary to include offices held and specific activities).

I hereby certify that this and all other information provided in this application is true and correct.

student signature

date

parent/guardian signature

date



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Write an essay of 400–500 words on a subject that interests you. For example, write about an experience or person who has influenced you, your viewpoint on an issue on which you feel strongly, an explanation of why you have chosen your field of study, etc. (Use a separate sheet or attach additional sheets if necessary.)

**Please include in your application a head-and-shoulder photo for publication in *the Journal*.
(Please DO NOT staple the photo.)**



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Recipient Information Form Due: July 2nd



(Upon receiving a letter from the Czechoslovak Society of America that you have been awarded a scholarship, please send this form.)

Name _____ For the school semester beginning (month/year) _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Resident Street Address at School (if applicable) _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Student's Home Phone _____ Cell phone _____

Email address _____

Parent/Guardian's Full Name _____ Parent/Guardian's Daytime Phone _____

Soc. Sec. # _____ Student ID # (if other than Soc. Sec. #) _____

Scholarship Award Amount \$ _____

SCHOLARSHIP CHECKS to be sent to:

Name of School (no abbreviations) _____

Attn: _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

student signature _____

date _____

parent/guardian signature _____

date _____

Note: If any of the above information changes, you must notify the Fraternal Department. This form must be received in the Home Office before scholarship funds can be distributed. Send to: Czechoslovak Society of America, 2050 Finley Rd., Ste. 70, Lombard, IL 60148 or email to kdeegan@betterlifeins.com by July 2nd. If you have questions, call the Fraternal Dept. at 1-800-779-1936.