

BRANDON LADIES OF ELKS SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE DETERMINED AVERAGE STUDENT

To be eligible for consideration, applicant must:

1. Be a resident of the Greater Brandon area and currently attending Armwood, Brandon, Bloomingdale, Durant, Newsome, Spoto or Riverview High Schools, any Hillsborough County Magnet High School, or the equivalent parochial school system.
2. Have shown participation in school, church, and community activities.
3. Have been accepted at an accredited institution of higher learning (i.e., junior college, 4-year college, university, or technical institute).
4. **Have an academic standing of an unweighted B – C grade point average.**
5. Have shown consistently good attendance records.

Information included in this packet will be kept in strict confidence.

Applications will be judged on the following merits:

Attitudes: General worthiness and desire

Needs: Financial needs and resources

Activities: Work record, school record, and community service associated with the applicant's field of interest

Skills: Evidence of good aptitude with respect to the chosen vocation

Grades: High School grade, vocations, institutional grades, standardized test scores, SAT scores

Brochures: Neatly completed—precisely following all directions:

- **All brochures must be in a folder (please punch holes on the left side of the application and clip in folder). We do not want to lose any of your paperwork.**
- **Transcripts of grades, SAT scores, ACT scores, or summary sheet must be included in this folder sealed with school seal.**
- **The Counselor Report must be in the folder in a sealed envelope.**
- **Please make sure your name and date are on every page.**

The judging procedure will be: A panel of impartial judges that will review all applications received **by Monday, April 1, 2026.** Judges are chosen by the Brandon Ladies of Elks

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and will make the final selection of awards. Selections of awards will be based on the above criteria as well as the merits of the application.

IMPORTANT: Be sure your application packet is in the hands of the

Brandon Ladies of Elks Chairperson prior to April 1, 2026.

Incomplete packets, or those received after this date, will not be considered.

**Awards not claimed will be forfeited 16 months from the date presented at the
Youth Awards Banquet.**

DEADLINE: Applications must be received, not postmarked, by **Monday, April 1, 2026.**

Scholarship recipients will be notified by mail.

PLEASE NOTE: Any student who receives a scholarship award must contact the registrar at the college or institute where enrollment has been accepted for **verification of enrollment**. Verification must be forwarded to the **Chairman of the Brandon Ladies of Elks Scholarship Committee**. Award money will then be forwarded directly to the financial aid department of the **institution in the name of the award recipient**.

Mail the completed packet to:

Kathy Eldridge, Scholarship Chairman
Brandon Ladies of Elks, Lodge #2383
800 Centennial Lodge Drive
Brandon, FL 33510

If you have any questions, you can contact Ms. Eldridge at:

813-215-7460 (cell)
813-685-6469 (Lodge)