

The First Tee Lehigh Valley & Berks – 2026 Scholarship Program and Application

Applications for the 2026-2027 school year are now open. Please submit your applications by no later than July 15, 2026.

The Scholarship Committee is pleased to offer scholarship assistance to qualified First Tee Lehigh Valley & Berks participants or coaches who have demonstrated exceptional merit, citizenship, academic achievement, as well as service and commitment to the mission of First Tee Lehigh Valley & Berks. Scholarships of up to a maximum value of \$2,000 are available based on the selection criteria listed below.

Eligibility Criteria

- Nominees must be graduating high school seniors or enrolled in a trade school, college, or university as a full-time student.
- Nominees must have been active with First Tee for a minimum of two (2) years. See below for additional criteria for the Participant Scholarship and the Coach Scholarship
- Recommended by Head Coach
- Has appeared at chapter functions/events or volunteered at projects three times in First Tee career

Selection Criteria

- The level of participation in First Tee Lehigh Valley & Berks, either as a participant or as an instructor.
- Financial need
- Academic achievement
- Community Service

First Tee Coach Scholarship

Requirements:

1. Has coached in at least one program at any location.
2. Has received, or is in process of receiving Level 1 First Tee Coach training
3. Graduating high school senior or enrolled in a trade school, college, or university as a full-time student.
4. Has appeared or participated in at least three chapter events or functions
5. Minimum GPA: 3.0

First Tee Participant Scholarship

Requirements:

1. Has been a First Tee program participant for two or more years.
2. Graduating high school senior or enrolled in a trade school, college, or university as a full-time student.
3. Two or more years as active participant in First Tee Lehigh Valley & Berks in the Age 14+ program
4. Has appeared or participated in at least three chapter events or functions
5. Minimum GPA: 3.0

Applicants may apply for both scholarships but will only be eligible for one award.

Scholarship Award and Renewal Criteria

- Up to \$2,000 per academic year based on selection criteria
- Scholarship is good for tuition or school related expenses
- Scholarship will be paid directly to the trade school, college, or university at which the recipient is enrolled.

Applicant Information

Name:

Home Address:

Applicant's Cell Phone Number:

Applicant's Email Address:

Parent/Guardian's Name:

Parent/Guardian's Cell Phone Number:

Parent/Guardian's Email Address:

Applicant's Date of Birth:

Applicant's Age at Date of Application:

School Level as of September 2025 (College Year 1, 2,3 or 4):

Current GPA:

Community Service Activities

Extracurricular/School Activities

Essay Questions: Answer both questions completely. The goal of First Tee Lehigh Valley & Berks mission is to make a positive impact on your life. Your answers will help the Scholarship Committee understand and evaluate the effect our mission has had on you. Your answers to each question should be legible (or typed) contain between 250 and 300 words.

Question 1: Describe the value that participating in the First Tee Lehigh Valley & Berks has had on your life. Tell a story about how First Tee has helped you to develop your character, resilience, self-confidence, or inner strength. Include examples of personal growth or development of leadership traits.

- **Question 2:** Describe how you have applied your understanding of life and golf skills to new situations on and off the course to have a positive impact on another person or on your community.