

## 2019 Dr. Alexander L. Srbich Scholarship Application

### Background

The \$1,000 Dr. Alexander L. Srbich Scholarship was established to encourage high school seniors of Serbian descent to attend college. Throughout his life Dr. Srbich believed in education, his Serbian heritage and the Serbian Orthodox Church. Born in Zajecar, Yugoslavia, Dr. Srbich served in the prestigious King's Guard of the Royal Yugoslav Army during World War II. As a scholar, he earned 5 degrees in management and industrial engineering. He traveled around the world consulting for companies including General Dynamics and he taught engineering, management and economics at the College of Business Administration at San Diego State University, retiring as a Emeritus professor. Dr. Srbich spoke multiple languages in addition to Serbian and English including Russian, Latin and French.

While at SDSU, he particularly enjoyed mentoring students but he always took particular interest in students of Serbian descent who wanted to attend college. He was active in the Serbian Orthodox Church, serving many terms as Church President and fostering both Serbian culture and the Orthodox faith. Established by his family as a way to preserve and carry on Dr. Srbich's legacy, the scholarship rewards students who demonstrate a commitment to learning and academic achievement, the Orthodox Faith and Serbian culture.

### Scholarship Deadlines

Applications are available April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019 and **final applications are due May 13, 2019**. Decisions will be made by May 24, 2019 (and winner notified by May 30). The scholarship award will be made at the Annual St. George Vidovdan Celebration on June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

Completed applications may be turned in electronically or they can be mailed/ turned into St. George by Friday, May 13, 2019. Email the completed applications to Fr. Bratso Krsic ([frbratso@sbcglobal.net](mailto:frbratso@sbcglobal.net)) no later than 5 PM, Monday, May 13. Hard copy applications are due to Fr. Bratso by 5 PM, Monday, May 13 or have a **May 13 postmark**. If mailing, send all completed applications to:

Fr. Bratso Krsic  
St. George Serbian Orthodox Church  
3025 Denver Street  
San Diego, CA 92117

Attn: Dr. Alexander Srbich Scholarship

If you have any questions, please contact Fr. Bratso or Miro Copic ([mirocopic@aol.com](mailto:mirocopic@aol.com)).

**IMPORTANT: If your application arrives incomplete (by email or mail), it will not be considered.**

### Student Qualifications:

There are some qualifications that the student is required to meet to be considered for this scholarship. If the student does not meet these qualifications, then he/she will not be considered.

1. **Academic:** A minimum *unweighted* GPA of 3.5 (out of a 4.0 scale) is required. Students must submit their high school transcripts through Fall of their senior year **and** their highest SAT/ACT scores.
  - a. Submit a list of colleges you are applying to and relevant admittance letters
  - b. Secondary consideration: Submit relevant AP test scores or other SAT test scores (e.g., SAT Math II scores)
2. The student (or their family) must be a steward in good standing at a Serbian Orthodox Church in San Diego County (St. George or St. Petka)
3. At least one parent must be of Serbian Heritage.

**Application Questions**

Please answer **all** questions and **attach** the appropriate documentation (High School transcripts, college acceptance letters, SAT/ACT scores, etc.) with your application. If there is a question you cannot answer or is not applicable, please put –NA–.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Home \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Church of Student/Family Stewardship (e.g., St. George): \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Steward in Good Standing for 2018/19: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parents:

Mother: \_\_\_\_\_

Father: \_\_\_\_\_

Names of Siblings (and their ages):

1. Sibling One (Name): \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Sibling Two (Name): \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Sibling Three (Name): \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

4. List Other Siblings and Ages Here: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of High School: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Attach most recent full transcript- through fall of current academic year)

Unweighted Grade Point Average (GPA) Through Fall 2018: \_\_\_\_\_

SAT/ACT Scores: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Attach copies of results, best score only)

AP Test or Other SAT Qualifying Test Scores (e.g. SAT Math II Test, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

Colleges/Universities Applying:

(Attach acceptance letters)

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

Detail of Serbian Ancestry: \_\_\_\_\_

(Describe your Serbian Heritage)

**Essay Questions:**

Complete the following two essay questions. Both questions are required. Each essay should be at least 250 words (approximately one page). You may write more but are limited to 500 total words for each essay. **Please attach a separate page for each essay.**

1. Why are you applying for this scholarship and what are your educational plans for the future (major area of study, etc.)?
2. Please describe your commitment to Serbian culture and language and the role of the Serbian Orthodox Christian Faith in your life?

**Application Check List:**

This is the checklist of items that must accompany your application to be considered complete. It is the responsibility of the student, not the review committee, to make sure the application is complete. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Your application will remain open until the 5 PM, May 13, 2019 deadline to make sure all elements are received. The only exception is the acceptance letter. If you are waiting for an acceptance letter, please note that in your application. Scholarship funds will be disbursed only when a student is accepted to a college or University.

1. Completed Application—making sure you qualify
  - a. Minimum unweighted 3.5 GPA
  - b. Student/Family is a Steward in Good Standing at St. George or St. Petka Serbian Orthodox Churches
  - c. Student has at least one parent of Serbian heritage
2. Complete High School transcripts including Fall 2017 Grades
3. SAT or ACT scores and copy of test scores
4. AP Test Scores or Other SAT Scores (e.g., SAT Math II)
5. College acceptance letter(s)

Please make sure all these documents accompany your application—whether mailed or submitted electronically (transcripts, SAT/ACT scores and College acceptance letters can be submitted as PDF documents).