

**PROVO HIGH SCHOOL  
STERLING SCHOLAR APPLICATION 2023-2024**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **STUDENT ID:** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

Students can apply for up to three categories to be considered for. NOTE: A rough draft portfolio is required for each category to be considered. Label them 1 – 3: 1 = first choice

<input type="checkbox"/> Business and Marketing	<input type="checkbox"/> Computer Technology	<input type="checkbox"/> Dance
<input type="checkbox"/> English	<input type="checkbox"/> Family & Consumer Science	<input type="checkbox"/> World Language
<input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics	<input type="checkbox"/> Instrumental Music	<input type="checkbox"/> Science
<input type="checkbox"/> Skilled & Technical Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Social Science	<input type="checkbox"/> Speech/Theater Arts/Forensics
<input type="checkbox"/> Vocal Performance	<input type="checkbox"/> Visual Arts	

What is your attendance: (Circle One)

Excellent                  Good                  Fair                  Poor

*(Attendance will be verified by the attendance office. If there is a discrepancy, please attach an explanation to this application)*

List the Service Organizations you belong to. Include the service projects your worked have worked on while in that organization and the number of service hours you completed.

**Total your service hours completed since your freshman year in high school?** \_\_\_\_\_

On a separate sheet of paper, answer the following questions.

1. List the leadership positions you have held and discuss how these leadership positions have helped prepare you to be a Sterling Scholar.
2. List six activities, honors, and awards relating to the category you are applying for. Choose one from the list and describe it briefly and explain why it was meaningful to you. What did you learn and what did you accomplish?
3. List up to six activities, honors, awards, and accomplishments relating to leadership and citizenship.
4. Describe two or three unique things about yourself and relate them to your category, if possible. Include challenges you have overcome and describe any distinctive experiences that have affected you.
5. How do you think your involvement in the Sterling Scholar program will enrich your life? This questions should be written in essay format separately from questions 1-4.

Attached to this application you must include

1. Attach your answers to the questions on the category/categories you want to be considered for.
2. Attach a 1-Page resume that includes: overall academic achievements, category achievements, leadership achievements, and service/citizenship achievements.
3. Attach your unofficial transcript (this is not a copy of your historical grades) You will need to fill out a transcript request through the counseling office.
4. Attach your page on your service organizations, projects and hours.
5. Attach your essay for question 5.
6. Attach your sample portfolio(s)

**Your completed application is submitted to the College and Career Center by **SEPTEMBER 29, 2023 1:30 pm.****

**Late applications will not be accepted**

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STERLING SCHOLAR APPLICATION INFORMATION  
2023-2024**

The purpose of the STERLING SCHOLAR AWARDS, sponsored by Deseret Morning News and KSL Television, is to publicly recognize and encourage the pursuit of excellence in scholarship, leadership, and citizenship of high school seniors in Utah public high schools.

Who is eligible? The Sterling Scholar Awards are open to Utah public high school seniors that will be graduating with their class in May 2023. Each high school may nominate one student in each of the 14 categories. Sterling Scholar Candidates will be judged on the following with equal weight (25%) in: General Scholarship, Category Scholarship, Leadership, Community Service/Citizenship.

Provo High School has a “Tradition of Excellence” with the Sterling Scholar Program. It is truly a great honor to be selected to represent PHS in this scholastic competition.

Each department will determine their top candidate and if they will hold interviews for the final Provo High School Sterling Scholar in their category. Not all students will be interviewed.

Students must be aware that they may be chosen for a category that is not their first choice, though where possible a student’s first choice will be taken into consideration.

Time will be precious as we prepare for this competition. You will be expected to meet all the due dates on the Sterling Scholar timeline. We all want you to do your best. Sterling Scholar Deadlines for Electronic Submissions and Region interviews have yet to be announced, so dates are approximate. The deadlines for Provo High School Fall 2023 are set and students should plan on meeting these deadlines without exception.

The Sterling Scholar Committee does not release their interview dates until late Fall. You must be available in person for the Competition Interviews & Judging in order to compete; Sterling Scholars will not allow any exceptions.

Sterling Scholars that do not meet deadlines outlined in the schedule, given at the parents/students meeting, will be replaced by the Alternate. This will be determined no later than Friday, November 10, 2023.

**Sterling Scholar Timeline:**

September 29, 2023		Application and Portfolio Rough Draft due to CCC <b>NO LATER THAN 1:30 PM.</b>
October 6, 2023		Student Finalists notified.
October 9 – 13, 2023		Sterling Scholar school finalist interviews
October 16, 2023		2021-2022 Provo High School Sterling Scholars Announced
October 24, 2023		Sterling Scholar Parent meeting for Scholar Candidates and Alternates
November 10, 2023		Sterling Scholar Portraits for Candidates and Alternates.
January 2023		Electronic Submission of “Parent Release Form” and Authorized Photos
January 2023		Submission of Electronic Portfolio to the Sterling Scholar Website due 11:59 pm
January 2023		Sterling Scholars Announced in the Deseret News Special Edition and on Website
February 2023		168 Finalists will be announced by email to school coordinators with Interview schedule
February 2023		Final Judging/interviews for all 168 finalists
March 2023		Annual Deseret News – KSL Broadcast Group Sterling Scholar Awards (TBD)

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