

FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
SAMPLE PERSONAL STATEMENT
5/31/16

The purpose of the Personal Statement is to give the Scholarship Committee members an opportunity to learn more about you, the student and your educational goals and how the scholarship will help continue your education.

The Personal Statement on the Scholarship Application reads as follows:

Please tell the selection committee your program of study, educational and career goals. Also include how receiving this scholarship will help you achieve your educational goals.

To guide you in completing the Personal Statement, here are some examples of how to get started. Please keep in mind that the expectation is not that you write a detailed essay. Just think about the question and answer in a concise manner.

Examples:

- It has been my dream to someday become a nurse. I am presently in the nursing program and plan to graduate in spring 2016. After graduation I hope to continue my education and enter the BSN program at Palm Beach State College. Receiving this scholarship will bring me one step closer to completing my education and providing a better life for my family.
- My major is business and one day I would like to have my own a business. I work part-time at a local retailer and am struggling to pay for college. This scholarship will help pay for my classes and books. I will be able to focus more on my education and not so much on how to pay my bills.
- In this difficult economy and I have been unable to find a job to help me pay for school and books. I am a student in the Dental Hygiene Program and this is my first term at Palm Beach State College. This scholarship will help me buy the dental tools, books and uniforms that I need to be successful. After I graduate, I plan to work in a local dentist office.

You are not graded on the length of your comments. Since the committee does not have the opportunity to meet you face to face this is a way for them to learn something about your educational and career goals.