

Scholarship Competition Interview Questions

High School

What is the most important thing you've learned in high school?
What have you liked or disliked about your school? What would you change?
What mark do you feel you've left on your school?
What extracurricular activities have you found most satisfying?
If you had high school to do over again, what might you have done differently?
What are your goals for your senior year?
What is your favorite subject in school and why?
What's a meaningful academic class, project or other experience?
With what activities are you most involved?
Is there anything you'd like to tell us about your transcript?
Are your grades an accurate reflection of your potential?
What are some awards you have won?
What are your academic interests?

Personal

How would you describe yourself to someone who did not know you?
How would your friends describe you?
What about you is unique?
What are your strengths? Weaknesses?
What has been your proudest achievement so far?
If you could talk with any one living (or deceased) person, whom would it be and why?
Who is a role model for you?
Who had influenced your life and why?
What events have been crucial in your life?
What newspapers and magazines do you read?
What books not required for school have you read recently?
What book have you read in the last year that has special meaning to you and why?
What is your favorite book?
What television shows do you watch?
Tell us about your family.
How do you spend a typical afternoon after school? Evening? Weekend?
How did you spend last summer?
Talk about a significant challenge you have encountered.
What is your greatest passion?
How have you been a leader or displayed leadership?
Tell me about a personal achievement that makes you proud.
Tell me about a mistake that you made and what you learned from it.
Which of your activities is most rewarding and why?
What has been your biggest achievement?
What's the most difficult situation you've faced?
How have you overcome a large obstacle?

College

What do you want to get out of your college experience?
What could you contribute to our college community?
Why are you considering this college?
What makes you think that this college would be a good match?
Where else are you applying and why?
What do you hope to major in?
Why do you want to enter this career?
What do you want to do after you graduate from college?
How do you see yourself using your degree?

Future

What do you expect to be doing ten years from now?
How do you define success?
What is your opinion on (fill in current event)?

Final

Why would you be an excellent recipient of _____ scholarship?
Is there anything else you want to add?
Do you have any questions?