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HOW TO APPLY FOR THE ULU PONO SCHOLARSHIP - DEADLINE FEBRUARY 1, 2024

*All sections must be complete and submitted before midnight on this date. No exceptions to this deadline.

1. Complete all components of the admissions application process:
   - Follow procedures as detailed on the admissions procedures page of the school’s website, [www.parkerschoolhawaii.org](http://www.parkerschoolhawaii.org)

2. Submit a financial aid application.
   - The financial aid application is located on the school’s website, parkerschoolhawaii.org

3. Complete the Ulu Pono Scholarship application:
   - The parent and student components of application should be completed and submitted to Parker School
   - The application form is available at the front desk in the main hall or may be downloaded at [www.parkerschoolhawaii.org](http://www.parkerschoolhawaii.org)

4. Request a letter of academic recommendation:
   - Applicants should request a letter of recommendation from an academic teacher who is not related to the student
   - The letter should be submitted directly to Parker School by the recommender (you may provide the attached page and an addressed, stamped envelope to aid them in your request; see address below)
   - The letter should describe the academic merit and potential of the student, as well as the student’s contribution to their learning community
   - Applicants should give the recommender ample time to complete and submit the letter.

5. Request a letter of personal recommendation:
   - Applicants should request a letter of personal recommendation from an additional adult (examples of a person able to provide such a recommendation would be a coach, instructor, or community leader)
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• The letter should articulate the passion, commitment, potential, or accomplishment of the student in their given area of interest, or who can shed light on the character of the student
• Applicants should give the recommender ample time to complete and submit the letter.

6. Student interview:
• Scholarship finalists will be interviewed by a review committee after the submission deadline
• The admissions office will contact eligible applicants to schedule the interview

7. Applicants will be notified of the scholarship decision on the date of admission notification, March 8, 2024.

Parker School Admissions Office
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INSTRUCTIONS FOR TEACHERS SUBMITTING A LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

To aid the Ulu Pono Scholarship Review Committee in understanding the applicant’s particular strengths, please provide a letter of recommendation that includes the following information:

- Your name, title, and organization
- How long you have known/taught the student
- Subjects in which you have instructed the student
- The student’s academic strengths and potential
- Any examples that illustrate the student’s demonstrated passion in their area of interest and/or in which their participation is notable
- Any examples of their strength of character
- Any further information you would like to share with us as to why you recommend this student for the Ulu Pono Scholarship

Please submit your letter of recommendation by hardcopy mail (or as an attachment via email) by February 1, 2024 to:

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Your letter will be held in strict confidence and will be viewed only by the Ulu Pono Scholarship review committee.
COMPLETING A LETTER OF PERSONAL RECOMMENDATION FOR
ULU PONO SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS

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- How long you have known the student
- Your perspective on this student’s commitment to their area of passion
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SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS – DUE FEBRUARY 1, 2024

- My child’s online admission application is complete and has been submitted to Parker School
- My financial aid application is complete and has been submitted to Parker School
- My child’s Ulu Pono Scholarship letters of reference (2) have been requested and submitted to Parker School

Please have your child complete the student questionnaire portion of this packet, following the instructions carefully.
ULU PONO SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Instructions: Students, please complete the following questions in your own words. Answers should be handwritten in complete sentences. You may use pencil or pen, and you may attach additional paper if you need more room to complete your answers. There are no right or wrong answers; please take time to answer them as clearly and honestly as you can.

Student to Complete the Questions Below

1. What activity are you most passionate about, and why? How long have you been doing it? Has being involved in that activity taught you anything special?

2. If you had one superpower, what would it be, and why? Is there any superpower you would not want to have?
3. When you have a disagreement with someone you care about, how do you resolve it?

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4. Describe your closest friend. What is your favorite part of that friendship?

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5. What values are most important to you and why? Share an example of how you live your values.

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6. What three words would you use to describe yourself and why?

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In this space below, draw how you are feeling at this very moment. 
Or describe how you feel in words and why.