



STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE

JESSI COMBS TRAILBLAZER SCHOLARSHIP 2025

This step-by-step guide will help you prepare the necessary items you will need to complete the online application. Once you are ready and have collected the items outlined here, the online application should take about 10-15 minutes to complete. It must be done in a single session as your progress cannot be saved.

STEP 1 – ELIGIBILITY

Are you eligible?

Applicants for The Jessi Combs Trailblazer Scholarship at the time of submission must identify as:

- A woman
- A High School Senior, Graduate or GED equivalent
- Enrolled in or accepted to an accredited vocational school in the United States with a focus on trade related skills.
 - This could include but not limited to: technical school, 2-year college or other approved vocational institutes.

STEP 2 – VIDEO APPLICATION

Please structure your video in the following format (maximum length 5 min):

1. Introduction:

- Tell us your first name, last name, age, home city and current occupation.

2. Questions:

- During your research about Jessi Combs - what stood out to you?
- What motivated you to apply for The Jessi Combs Trailblazer Scholarship?
- Who or what inspired you to take this career path?
- What are your career aspirations in the trades industry?
- What role will this scholarship play in helping you accomplish those goals?

3. Conclusion:

- Is there anything else you would like to share with the selection board that was not already captured in the above questions?

Completed video application

- Save file as your FirstName_LastName_Video
 - Example - Jane_Smith_Video
- Save file as an.MP4, .MPEG, .AVI or .MOV
 - You'll be able to drag/drop this file into your online application, so make sure you have it with you when you are ready to complete the online application

STEP 3 – SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- **A copy of your acceptance letter or proof of current enrollment in a trade school**
 - Save file as your FirstName_LastName_Proof of Schooling (example: Jane_Smith_Proof of Schooling)
 - Save file as a PDF or .DOC
- **Letters of Recommendation**
 - While not required, you are more than welcome to include them
 - Save files as your Firstname_Lastname_LOR (then LOR1, LOR2 as appropriate)
 - Save files as a PDF or DOC
- **You will be able to drag/drop this file into your online application, so make sure you have it with you when you are ready to complete the online application**

STEP 4 – GATHER INFORMATION

- The next two pages contain the information you'll need to gather to be prepared for the online application
 - Please gather the information and have it with you when you are ready to complete your online application
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APPLICANT'S PERSONAL INFORMATION

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle: _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____

Are you currently in School? ☐ YES ☐ NO

If YES, name of school: _____

Current GPA: _____

Expected Graduation Date: ____/____/____

If NO, where did you attend? _____

Did you graduate? ☐ YES ☐ NO

Final grade completed & most recent or final GPA : _____

Home or Current Address: (Street) _____

(City) _____ (State) _____ (Zip) _____

Email Address: _____ Day Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____

Does a parent or guardian claim you as a dependent on their tax returns? ☐ YES ☐ NO

Are you currently employed? ☐ YES ☐ NO

If employed, where? _____ ☐ Full Time ☐ Part Time

How did you hear about *The Jessi Combs Trailblazer Scholarship*?

- | | |
|------------------------------------|--|
| <input type="radio"/> Web | <input type="radio"/> Friend |
| <input type="radio"/> Social Media | <input type="radio"/> Parent |
| <input type="radio"/> News Article | <input type="radio"/> Other – Please Specify _____ |

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Are you receiving other financial aid? ☐ YES ☐ NO

Have you applied for other scholarships? ☐ YES ☐ NO

Have you applied for financial aid? ☐ YES ☐ NO

If NO, for other scholarships/financial aid, why not?

SCHOOL INFORMATION

Are you currently enrolled or accepted in a Trade School? ☐ YES ☐ NO

Name of School: _____

Expected Graduation Date: ____/____/____

What is or will be your area of focus? _____

What career field do you hope to pursue after graduation? _____

PROJECTED ANNUAL SCHOOL EXPENSES

Tuition..... \$ _____

Room/Board or Other Housing Expenses..... \$ _____

Other Educational Expenses..... \$ _____

Other Expenses \$ _____

Specify: _____

PROJECTED SOURCES OF INCOME

Parental Support..... \$ _____

Grants..... \$ _____

Specify: _____

Scholarships..... \$ _____

Specify: _____

Employment Income..... \$ _____

STEP 5 – ONLINE APPLICATION

- Now that you are ready it is time to complete your online application
- As we mentioned above, this should take 10-15 minutes
- You'll be prompted to drag and drop your video file, proof of schooling and optional letters of recommendation

YOU CANNOT SAVE THE APPLICATION ONCE YOU'VE STARTED, SO PLEASE BE SURE YOU HAVE THE NECESSARY TIME BEFORE YOU START!

LINK TO ONLINE APPLICATION

<https://info.thejessicombsfoundation.com/2025scholarshipapplication>