

Nevada Department of Education

2026 U.S. Presidential Scholars Program - Nevada Nomination Instructions

Deadline: Friday, October 17, 2025, by 5:00 PM (PST)

About the Program

The mission of the U.S. Presidential Scholars Program is to recognize and honor outstanding high school seniors in the areas of academic achievement, career and technical education (CTE), and the arts. Nevada is proud to participate in this prestigious program by nominating students who exemplify excellence, leadership, and service.

Nomination Categories

Please nominate students in **one** of the following categories:

1. General Academic

Students who demonstrate exceptional academic performance, leadership, and character. Candidates are often identified through high SAT or ACT scores and strong academic portfolios.

2. Career and Technical Education (CTE)

Students who demonstrate excellence in CTE programs

Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible, a nominee must:

- Be a U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident by the application deadline.
- Graduate or receive a diploma between January 1 and August 31, 2026.
- For General Academic: Have high SAT/ACT scores and evidence of academic distinction
- For CTE: Be enrolled in a CTE program and show achievement through coursework, credentials, and leadership.

For additional clarification, see the U.S. Department of Education eligibility FAQ: https://www2.ed.gov/programs/psp/faq.html#eligibility



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What You'll Need to Submit

Before completing the nomination form, please prepare the following:

- Student's full contact and demographic information
- School and district information (including CEEB code)
- Nominator's name, email, and title
- Student transcript (PDF) required
- Resume or activity list
- Short narrative response describing the student's academic achievement, leadership, and service
- For CTE nominations: program area, certifications, and any additional experiences or participations

Submit Your Nomination

Please complete the nomination form linked below by 5:00 PM on Friday, November 1, 2025.

If you have any questions or need ADA assistance, please contact amanda.hughes@doe.nv.gov. Click here to access the nomination form

Note: You may only submit one nomination per student. You may nominate more than one student in each category. Please ensure all required documents are included at the time of submission.

Contact

For questions, support, or clarification, please contact:

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