2026-2027 George M. Pullman Educational Foundation Scholarship Application

Essay Template

**Reference Number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

Your essays are your opportunity to tell the Foundation and selection committee who you are. Your essays are evaluated on clarity, cohesion, and how thoroughly you answer each question. Remember to use your most polished writing style. The grammar and structure of your essays will also be considered.

* You can write up to 500 words for each essay.
* **Use** **12 point Times New Roman font, one-inch margins, and double-space your essays.**
* Save your essay file as your reference number (File name: your reference number). Your reference number is the first four letters of your last name and the last four numbers of your phone number. If your last name is less than four letters, include as many letters as you can.
* Upload your essay template to your application.
* Do not include your name on your essay template.

**Essays:**

1. **How has your background and upbringing affected the way(s) you see yourself in your immediate community and the world? What do you most value?**

[Type your essay here]

1. **The Foundation believes every person has the capacity to achieve success and contribute to the common good through education and opportunity.**

**Describe your idea of success. What role will college play in the fulfillment of your long-term goals?**

[Type your essay here]

1. **Tell us about a challenge you want to take on, either personal or global. What steps would you take to meet this challenge?**

[Type your essay here]