



Police Athletic League of Philadelphia Scholarship Foundation

To the PAL Center Officer: The PAL scholarship grant is based in part on the applicant's roles and participation at your PAL Center. Please complete the PAL Officer's Evaluation Form below as well as the PAL Officer's Letter of Recommendation referenced on page 10 of this application.

Applicant's Name:

City Span ID#:

Sportsmanship:

- 10 Points Exceptional team player, follows rules without reminders, encourages other participants
- 7 Points Very coachable, rarely needs to be reminded of rules & behavior expectations, is helpful
- 3 Points Coachable, occasionally needs to be reminded of rules & behavior expectations
- 0 Points Not a team player, often needs to be reminded of rules & behavior expectations

Length of PAL Membership:

- 5 Points Five or more years
- 4 Points Four to five years
- 3 Points Three to four years
- 2 Points Two to three years
- 1 Points One to two years
- 0 Points Less than one year

Attendance:

- 10 Points "MVP" 3 or more days per week
- 7 Points Frequent 1 day per week
- 3 Points Occasional 2 days per week
- 0 Points Rare less than 2 days per month

PAL Programs: (Sports, Education, Special Events or Programs, Support Staff or Volunteer)

- 10 Points Participates in all or most PAL programs during a season
- 7 Points Participates in three or more programs during a season
- 3 Points Participates in one or two programs during a season
- 0 Points Rarely participates

Community:(School, Civic, Religious Institution, Part-time and/or Summer Employment)

- 10 Points High involvement - extremely dedicated with five or more activities per year
- 7 Points Moderate involvement - dedicated with three or four activities per year
- 3 Points Low involvement - somewhat dedicated with one or two activities per year
- 0 Points No involvement - zero activities

Leadership:

- 5 Points Seeks leadership opportunities and assumes exceptional level of responsibility
- 3 Points Accepts leadership opportunities and assumes moderate level of responsibility
- 0 Points Does not like to lead and does not assume any level of responsibility

Total PAL Officer’s Evaluation Points: (maximum score of 50)

This Section to be Completed by PAL Scholarship Foundation Evaluators

Academic Performance:

- 20 Points High School GPA at or above “A” grade level
- 15 Points High School GPA at or above “B” grade level
- 10 Points High School GPA at or above “C” grade level
- 5 Points High School GPA at or above “D” grade level
- 0 Points High School GPA at or above “F” grade level

Total Academic Performance Points: (maximum score of 20)

PAL Officer's Letter of Recommendation

Academic Year 2025-2026

Applicant's Full Name:

PAL Center:

Instructions: Please prepare a typed Letter of Recommendation explaining the merits of the applicant and how their PAL participation and personal characteristics relate to their potential for success in the PAL Scholarship Program. Include all PAL programs in which the applicant participated during their PAL experience. Any information that will assist the PAL Scholarship Foundation in differentiating this applicant from other applicants is welcomed.

If you have not had direct experience with the applicant for at least two years, please note why and include any information such as attendance at another PAL Center that would allow that PAL Center Director to provide a Letter of Recommendation.

Sample Letter of Recommendation:

Jack Doe has been a member of the "XYZ" PAL Center for more than ten years. During his time at PAL, Jack has actively participated in numerous programs including educational, athletic, and city-wide special events and competitions. Since his junior year in high school, he has also volunteered at the center helping with Homework Club and general maintenance for two to three hours per week. During his tenure at PAL, Jack was a member of the XYZ PAL Citywide Basketball team (three years), flag football team (five years), golf program (four summers), chess team (two years) and Computer Club (seven years) and attended the center two to three days per week.

It has been a pleasure to watch Jack grow from a shy, young boy into a confident and intelligent young man. He has been an asset to this PAL center and continues to demonstrate a willingness to learn new things, assist the younger members of the center and act as a positive role model.

Jack is currently a senior at Central High School with a 3.5 GPA. I have no doubt that he will be successful in college and achieve the goals he has set for himself. Jack is active at his high school serving as captain of the varsity basketball team and as a co-captain of the varsity debate team. In addition to his extracurricular activities at PAL and school, he manages his time so well that he is able to work part-time at Target and volunteer at his church on Sundays.

Jack plans to attend a four-year college majoring in electrical engineering. He has applied to five colleges and has received acceptance letters from three of them so far. Jack has been an exceptional PAL member and has demonstrated the ability to succeed in his educational pursuits. As his PAL Officer for eight of the last ten years, I have observed Jack's determination, accomplishments, and strong character and recommend him, without hesitation, for a PAL scholarship grant.

Please sign and date below to acknowledge that you have personally completed and submitted the PAL Officer's Evaluation Form and PAL Officer's Letter of Recommendation.

PAL Officer's Name:

PAL Officer's Signature:

Date: