



Scholarships

GIPSFUNDATION



Kneale Administration Building
123 South Webb Road
Grand Island, NE 68803
(308) 385-5900 • gipsfoundation.org

6 Tips for Writing Essays...

1

Read the Prompt

Each essay question is unique. Do not use a standard essay answer for multiple questions. Reviewers can see the answers to different questions in the application. Reading the same answer multiple times does not look like you put forth much effort.

2

Research

Use the [GIPS Foundation Writing Rubric](#) to guide your writing. Each scholarship has a unique guideline with background information about the scholarship on our website.

3

Be Honest

The most effective essays are a true reflection of who you are. Write with your voice about your experiences and thoughts. Genuine essays often out perform style.

4

Ask for Feedback

Once you write your essay ask someone to read it and give feedback.

5

Proof

We suggest writing your essay in another program and then copy/paste it into the application. Character errors can happen after pasting your essay. Proof the essay in the application and make corrections as needed.

6

Do Not Use Your Name

The review committee does not have access to your contact information and do not want to see your name in the essay.

Questions? Contact the system administrator at cwiemers@gips.org

GRAND ISLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOUNDATION

Kari Hooker-Leep, Executive Director • 308-385-5900 • khookerleep@gips.org • www.gipsfoundation.org