



Y.H. PARK TAEKWONDO ACADEMY

THE JULIANA BUONGIOVANNI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was created to honor the life and perpetuate the values of leadership, humanitarianism, perseverance, loyalty and indomitable spirit that were so eloquently lived and practiced by Assistant Instructor, 3rd Degree Black Belt Juliana Buongiovanni.

Juliana's contributions to the Academy and the Community at-large are innumerable. She embodied what it means to be a Y.H. Park black belt through her selfless acts, cheerful spirit and charitable heart. Juliana was a talented martial artist, fierce competitor, accomplished academic student and a loving, honest and loyal friend. The positivity she emanated was felt by all who knew or encountered her during her brief but full seventeen years of life.

PROGRAM GUIDELINES – SUBMISSIONS DUE June 30th, 2025

The Juliana Buongiovanni Memorial Scholarship will be awarded annually to the high school student(s) and/or current college student(s) who best meet the requirements set forth by the Scholarship Committee.

- Scholarship awards are limited to cover tuition and fees.
- Scholarships are open to high school students and students currently enrolled at an accredited college or university.
- The Scholarship Committee will review and score all submitted applications.
- At the Scholarship Committee's discretion applicants may be interviewed.
- Award amounts will be determined by the Scholarship Committee.
- Scholarship recipients will be notified of award via email.

APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS

Qualified applicants must meet ALL of the following criteria:

- be a current taekwondo academy member in good standing.
 - “**Good standing**” is defined as a member who regularly attends class, is committed to mental and physical discipline and whose behavior is demonstrative of effort towards achievement of the five aims of taekwondo: Respect, Humility, Perseverance, Self-control and Honesty;
- be a black belt (any level);
- have participated in at least one competitive event during the last twelve (12) months;
- have an unweighted Grade Point Average (GPA) of at least 2.75 on a 4.0 scale and;
- plan to attend, have been accepted into or currently enrolled at an accredited college or university on a full-time basis.

INSTRUCTIONS – READ CAREFULLY

- The application form can be found on the Y.H. Park Taekwondo Academy website <http://yhpark.com/>.
- **All questions must be answered. Incomplete applications will not be considered.** If the applicant believes a question is not applicable, do not leave the response blank. Write “N/A” in the space provided.
- Attach additional sheets as needed to complete application questions. Label all additional sheets with your name and the question number.
- Application packets will ONLY be considered complete IF the following items are included and submitted on or before the June 30th, 2023 deadline.
 - Completed Application form
 - Essay and Creative Project
 - Three (3) references with contact information (on application form)
 - A copy of your most recent high school and/or college transcript
 - Letter of “Good Standing” from your taekwondo school Master on the school’s letterhead.
 - Proof of the applicant having competed in at least one competitive event during the last twelve (12) months. Verification from the applicant’s Master is acceptable in either an email or letter.
 - Two (2) letters of recommendation (from persons other than relatives). A “Letter of Recommendation Form” is provided at the end of this Application.

**APPLICATIONS AND ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS
ARE DUE June 30th, 2025 - NO EXCEPTIONS**

Submit completed applications packets to:

**Master Edward Park
Y.H. Park Taekwondo Academy
1170 Hicksville Rd
Seaford, NY 11783
516-735-3434**

Email: edwardpark20@gmail.com

WRITTEN ESSAY and CREATIVE PROJECT

WRITTEN ESSAY

In 750 words or less, write about an obstacle you encountered and describe in detail how taekwondo helped you to overcome it.

Your essay should be free from spelling and grammatical errors and be formatted as follows:

1. Typewritten, double-spaced, single-side printing on standard white 8.5" x 11"
2. Applicant's name should be placed in the upper right corner on each page
3. All pages should be numbered
4. If multiple pages, staple in the upper left corner

Applicants should include three (3) hard copies with the completed application packet. If submitting by email, please send the essay as a PDF document using the following file naming convention:

"Applicant First Initial.Last Name_Taekwondo School Name_Year_Scholarship Essay"

Example: *J.Smith_Y.H.Park TKD Academy_2022_Scholarship Essay*

CREATIVE PROJECT

Using any medium of your choosing, including but not limited to video/film, photography, drawing, painting, sculpture/modeling, music, poetry, performance art, submit a project that represents or demonstrates how taekwondo is helping or has helped you overcome the obstacle described in your written essay.

Letter of Recommendation Form: **DUE JUNE 30th, 2025**

Name of Applicant: _____

Scholarship recipients are selected based on their personification of the values of leadership, humanitarianism, perseverance, loyalty, indomitable spirit, and academic achievement.

Please include a typed and signed letter of recommendation describing the applicant's embodiment of the values described above.

Your Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

How long have you known the applicant and in what capacity?

Your recommendation may be typed on the back of this form or on a separate sheet and attached to this form.

Please sign and return this completed form and your letter to Master Edward Park at the Y.H. Park Taekwondo Academy or in a sealed envelope to the Applicant. Your evaluation will become part of the Applicant's confidential file, for use only by the Scholarship Selection Committee.

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