



Leif Erikson Lodge 2-001, Sons of Norway  
 Educational Foundation  
 2245 NW 57<sup>th</sup> Street  
 Seattle, WA 98107



### YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARD

Leif Erikson Lodge 2-001, Sons of Norway, Educational Foundation will annually award scholarships to young persons planning on attending an institution of higher learning or trade school. The amount of the award is \$1,500, which is made out to the recipient’s school, and is determined by the Educational Foundation Trustees each year.

**Instructions of the applicant:** (Please type or print clearly in black ink)

To be eligible for the Youth Leadership Award:

- The applicant must be a member in good standing of Leif Erikson Lodge 2-001, Sons of Norway; or a close relative of a member in good standing.
- The applicant must be a United States citizen who is at least a senior in high school up to 25 years old on the date the award application is submitted.
- The applicant must not have previously received this award.

Submit an essay, not to exceed 250 words, describing your accomplishments to date; your involvement in Leif Erikson Lodge 2-001, Sons of Norway, interest in Scandinavia, youth, community or other activities; and your educational or career goals.

The criteria by which candidates are evaluated:

- Academic performance and evidence of ability to succeed.
- Willingness to represent and participate in a variety of events at Leif Erikson Lodge 2-001.
- Two letters of recommendation giving specific evidence of good character, accomplishments and abilities.
- Financial need or means tests shall not be considered.
- Content of the essay.
- Ability to follow the instructions on the application.

Mail the completed application form to the Leif Erikson Lodge 2-001, Sons of Norway Educational Foundation address above. To be eligible for consideration, the application must meet all the requirements AND be **received** by March 30, 2026. The Educational Foundation cannot accept applications by e-mail or fax.

Applicant’s Last Name, First and Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_

Date/Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address:

Street: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (inc. area code) \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Sons of Norway Membership: Self (\_\_\_)

Relative(s) Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Member Since: \_\_\_\_\_

High School/University/College/Trade School Currently Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of School Currently Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (inc. area code): \_\_\_\_\_

Major Subject of Interest: \_\_\_\_\_

If applicable, candidate for what degree: \_\_\_\_\_

Completed: \_\_\_\_\_ (Circle One: Terms, Semesters, Quarters) \_\_\_\_\_ Semester/Quarter Total Hours

GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Maximum grade point value possible: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Expected Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

Have your school send an official, sealed copy of your latest transcript directly to:

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List the name and address of the two persons, who are writing letters of recommendation for you. Such persons may include teachers, coaches, youth leaders or someone else not related to you, but who knows you well. They should describe your character, accomplishments, and abilities. Recommendation letters must be **received** by March 30, 2026.

First Recommendation Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to applicant: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Recommendation: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to applicant: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I accept taking an active role in two of the following events, which I have circled below:

- Heritage Day in March
- Nordic Market in October
- Children's *juletrefest* in December

In addition, I will represent Leif Erikson Lodge at the Norwegian Seventeenth of May Parade.

Please check here to confirm you will represent the Leif Erikson Lodge at the parade:

I hereby certify the above statements are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

If you have any questions, contact:

Heidi Ludeman (Larsen), 360-927-1194 or [LELEducationalFoundation@gmail.com](mailto:LELEducationalFoundation@gmail.com)

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## Youth Leadership Award Application Checklist

**Please initial all and include this checklist with your application.**

- \_\_\_\_\_ I meet all of the qualifying conditions for the scholarship
- \_\_\_\_\_ I have enclosed or the school has mailed to the Educational Foundation a copy of my official, sealed current transcript **by** March 30, 2026
- \_\_\_\_\_ I have enclosed a 200-250 word essay describing my accomplishments to date, involvement in community activities and/or in Sons of Norway, why I have an interest in Scandinavia, and educational or career goals
- \_\_\_\_\_ I expect my two references to send in a letters of recommendation giving specific evidence of good character, accomplishments and abilities **by** March 30, 2026
- \_\_\_\_\_ I have circled the two events where I will be taking an active role on page 2 of the application and confirmed I will participate in the Seventeenth of May parade
- \_\_\_\_\_ I have to the best of my knowledge filled out this form completely and honestly

Name (Please Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_