

Spring 2024 Scholarship Program

The Rotary Club of Wilmington, Delaware, offers academic scholarships of up to \$3,500 per year to students who are about to enter their freshman year of post-secondary education: trade school, community college, or 2- or 4-year college. Scholarships will be renewed automatically for 4 years if the student fulfills their academic requirements.

It is Rotary's goal to support individuals who will become civic leaders in their field and community, reflecting Rotary International's Four Way Test:

Of the things we think, say, or do:

- Is it the truth?
- Is it fair to all concerned?
- Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
- Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

DUE DATE AND SUBMISSION INFORMATION

To be considered for an award beginning in the Fall of the coming academic year, the applicant must submit a completed application, and all required supporting material by Friday, March 29th, 2024

Email is the preferred delivery method Please submit the complete application and all attachments with the name of the student in the email subject line to: **scholarships@rotarywilmington.org**

If email is not possible, please mail the completed application and materials to the <u>Rotary Office</u>, <u>100 West</u> 10th Street, Suite 1006, Wilmington, DE 19801.

Assistance with the application or questions on the process is available! Please direct your questions to: Mike Staman, Scholarship Chair & Ashley Cloud, Club Executive

Phone: 302-607-9668, 302-388-7176

Email: scholarships@rotarywilmington.org

ELIGIBILITY TO APPLY

To be eligible to apply, the applicant:

- must be a citizen of the United States and resident of the City of Wilmington
- must a high school senior attending a public or private school in New Castle County, or being homeschooled in New Castle County
- must be formally admitted and committed to a public or private school of post-secondary education for the upcoming academic year (The school may be a two- or four-year college, university, technical or trade school. It is not required that the school be in Delaware.)
- may not be a child of a Rotary Club of Wilmington member

SELECTION CRITERIA

In selecting award winners, the Scholarship Committee will consider the following factors:

- applicant's financial need in consideration of family income and any financial assistance provided by the school
- service to the community over and above requirements for school credit. It may include volunteerism, caregiving and/or employment
- participation and leadership roles in extracurricular activities;
- academic achievement in the form of high school grades, SAT/ACT scores, academic honors and awards, and other evidence of scholarly excellence

PROCEDURES OF THE COMMITTEE

- Scholarship Committee members will review the application and supporting materials and assess based on the above criteria
- Finalists will be invited for interviews with the committee on April 13th, 2024. Details will be provided.
- Following the interviews, grantees will be determined by the Scholarship Committee members
- When the process is complete, grantees will be notified around April 22, 2024.

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APPLICATION

SECTION A: Applicant Information

Unless otherwise indicated, all questions must be answered in full. Any questions you have in preparing your application can be directed to scholarships@rotarywilmington.org.

Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Name	
Street Address	
City, State, Zip	
Phone	Email Address
High School	
Grade Point Average for Fall 2023 (must correspond t	to GPA on transcript)
SAT/ACT Scores:	
Community Service Activities	
Extracurricular Activities and/or Employment	
Academic Awards, Honors, Honor Societies	

SECTION B: College and Costs

School, College, or University			
Street Address			
City, State, Zip			
Planned Major			
Second Major/Minor – if any			
Contact Person at College Financial Aid Office:			
Phone	Email		
Rotary scholarships are intended to defray direct instable mailed directly to the school's Financial Aid Office.	ructional costs and basic living expenses. Awards will		
Cost of attendance for the upcoming academic year (as noted in the Financial Award Letter)		

SECTION C: Other Scholarships, Grants, or Awards Pending

Use this section if you have applied for funding but have not yet received a reply.

Grantor or Scholarship Source	Amount Requested	Renewable? (Y OR N)

SECTION D: Guardian Contact Information

Name of Parent or Guardian		
Address if different than Applicant	·'s	
Phone	Email	
Name of Parent or Guardian (2)		
Address if different than Applicant	·'s	
Phone	Email	
SECTION F: Statement by Parent Gu	uardian, Mentor, or adult familiar with Applicant	
	t page any additional information about the Applicant	that Rotary should
	ld be helpful to know about the applicant's, communit	
	demic achievements, or financial need.)	<i>y</i> 50. 1.00 <i>)</i>
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Statement by (name)		
Relationship to Applicant		
Phone	Email	

SECTIC	ON F: Applicant's Essay
•	members are committed to a set of values called the "Four Way Test." Please choose one of the
	ng questions that address the Four Way Test, as the basis for your essay or video. Essays are limited to
500 wo	ords and videos to three minutes. If producing a video, please provide a link to watch the video.
Please	choose one of the following to explore in your essay or video:
1.	Is telling the truth always the best course of action? If not, why?
2.	How do you determine fairness?
3.	What can be achieved through goodwill?
4.	How do you ensure that people are treated equitably?
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SECTION G: Required Attachments

The following items must be scanned and attached to the email with your completed application. <u>Applications</u> without these attachments will not be considered.

- 1. **Letter(s) of Recommendation** (Applicants must include at least one letter of recommendation from a teacher or other school official that includes an evaluation of the applicant's achievements, potential for leadership and contributing citizenship. This letter should be included with the student's application package. Students may want to share information about scholarships from the Rotary Club of Wilmington with the person who will be making the recommendation.
- 2. Academic Transcript
- 3. Copy of SAT/ACT scores
- 4. Student Aid Report (SAR) from FAFSA
- 5. Letter from College Financial Officer detailing the financial package offered

SECTION H: Certification

We hereby certify that the information supplied herein is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief. Signatures may be typed. I acknowledge that typing my name here constitutes a legal signature confirming that I acknowledge and warrant the truthfulness of the information provided in this document.

Applicant's Signature:		
Signature of Parent or Guardian:	Date	
Signature of Parent or Guardian 2 (optional):	Date	
	 Date	

APPLICANTS MUST SUBMIT A COMPLETED APPLICATION, INCLUDING ALL REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS, BY 5:00pm Friday, March 29th, 2024