



## Rotary Club of Elk Rapids Scholarship Application 2026

Three, \$2,500 scholarships are available to current ERHS Seniors who plan on attending or are currently attending Northwestern Michigan College.

### Requirements:

1. Applicants must be a current graduating senior of **Elk Rapids Public Schools (either ERHS or Sunrise Academy)** and can apply up to two years after graduation year.
2. Academic performance will be considered in awarding decision of scholarships.
3. Applicants are required to provide documentation of academic performance.
4. Applicants need to submit two written letters of recommendation with the application.
5. The completed application and required documents need to be postmarked no later than **May 1, 2026**, and mailed to:

Rotary Club of Elk Rapids  
P.O. Box 814  
Elk Rapids, MI 49629  
Attn: Scholarship Committee

Or e-mail Sherry Steffen, Scholarship Chairperson at [sherry.lkn@charter.net](mailto:sherry.lkn@charter.net)

### Review and Announcement Procedure:

1. A committee made up of members from The Rotary Club of Elk Rapids will review the applications and select candidates for an interview.
2. Interviews will take place late April or early May. Final day/evening to be determined.
3. All interviewees will be made aware of the results the first week of May or at ERS Senior Academic Awards Night.
4. Public announcement of the recipients will take place via Rotary Club meeting, local newspaper, Rotary Facebook page, Rotary website, and Elk Rapids School media resources.
5. Recipients will be invited to a Rotary Club gathering for recognition.
6. Recipients' scholarship award check will be mailed to Northwestern Michigan College Financial Services Department for the benefit of the recipients.



## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FOR 2026

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Contact: Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

If currently a senior at ERHS or Sunrise Academy -

1. Share your involvement in extracurricular activities (sports, clubs, musicals, plays, etc.) during your High School years.

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2. In what ways have you provided service to your school community during your time enrolled there?

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Provide grade point average from ERHS or Sunrise Academy \_\_\_\_\_

Most Recent SAT Score \_\_\_\_\_ (if available)

What is your current application status at Northwestern Michigan College?

Applied \_\_\_\_\_ Accepted \_\_\_\_\_ Enrolled \_\_\_\_\_ Planning to apply \_\_\_\_\_

Provide grade point average from NMC if currently attending \_\_\_\_\_

3. What degree/program do you expect to complete at NMC?

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4. What are your career goals?

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5. Have you filled out the FAFSA? If so, what is your "[Student Aid Index](#)" number from your FAFSA.

6. Do you qualify for the [Michigan Achievement Scholarship](#)?

7. Tell us about your thoughts or strategy (include resources you have already obtained or plan to apply for or work toward) to assist in helping you with the expense of your education.

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8. Tell us about any community service you have provided in the past or may currently provide?

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9. Is there anything else you would like to add?

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10. Why did you choose to apply for this scholarship?

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**Applicant's signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Return this completed application with two letters of recommendation to:**

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Elk Rapids, MI 49629

Attn: Scholarship Committee Chair

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