



2026 Hazleton Rotary Memorial Scholarships Application

**Hazleton Rotary will offer four Memorial Scholarships
for the first time in 2026.**

- First Place: \$6,000 annually for four years (\$24,000 total)**
- Second Place: \$3,500 annually for four years (\$14,000 total)**
- Third Place: \$2,000 annually for four years (\$8,000 total)**
- Fourth Place: \$1,000 annually for four years (\$4,000 total)**

The following criteria will be used in the screening of applications for the 2026 Hazleton Rotary Memorial Scholarships.

1. Candidates must be a graduating senior in the spring/summer of 2026.
 2. Candidates must reside within the geographic boundaries of the Hazleton Area School District. (PLEASE NOTE THIS CRITERIA WAS UPDATED IN 2025 – in order to qualify for these scholarships applicants must live in the area, not attend a school in the area)
 3. Candidates must be in good academic standing and must achieve a 2.75 or equivalent average each semester in their post-secondary studies in order to renew the scholarship.
 4. Candidates will be asked to attend one Hazleton Rotary Meeting per year to give a brief report to the Rotary members.
1. Dependents of Hazleton Rotary members are not eligible.
 2. Applications are due no later than **Wednesday, April 15, 2026.**
 3. Applications will be scored using the following point system:

Academic Information	50 points
Employment, Activities, & Civic Involvement	30 points
Essay	20 points

APPLICATION

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

Cell Phone _____ Date of Birth _____

Email Address _____

Parent's Name (Mother) _____ (Father) _____

Parent's Address (Mother) _____

(Father, if different than Mother) _____

Civic Involvement/Community Service (attach additional page/resume if preferred)

Please list Organization and Type of Involvement:

PART III - ESSAY:

In no more than 600 words, describe a volunteer initiative in which you played a meaningful and active role. Identify the community need you sought to address and explain why it mattered. Detail the actions you took, the leadership you demonstrated, and the collaboration involved. Also reflect on how this experience embodies the spirit of "Service Above Self." What impact did your efforts have on those you served? How did this experience shape your character and values?

AI Use Policy: Essays must be written entirely by the student. Use of artificial intelligence tools for drafting, rewriting, or editing is not permitted. Entries suspected of AI assistance may be subject to follow-up review. Students certify upon submission that the work is their own and understand that violation will result in disqualification.

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:

**2026 Hazleton Rotary Memorial Scholarships
c/o Kim McNulty
MMI Preparatory School
154 Centre Street
Freeland, PA 18224**

or email to kmcnulty@mmiprep.org

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