



Rotary Club of Bloomingdale-Roselle

“SERVICE ABOVE SELF” 2024 SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

The Rotary Club of Bloomingdale-Roselle “Service Above Self” Scholarship specifically recognizes and rewards an applicant who successfully demonstrates a substantial commitment to service. In 1989 The Rotary Council on Legislation established “Service Above Self” as the principal motto of Rotary International because it best conveys the philosophy of unselfish volunteer service.

The \$1,000 “Service Above Self” scholarship is awarded annually to a graduating high school senior. Specific areas considered when reviewing applicants are in-school service and community service history, and evidence of a lifelong commitment to service.

Scholarship applicants must live in Bloomingdale or Roselle and must graduate from high school during the academic year of application. Two scholarships are awarded, one to a student resident of Bloomingdale and one to a student resident of Roselle. They may not be a family member of The Rotary Club of Bloomingdale-Roselle.

IMPORTANT 2024 DATES:

- January 15, 2024 - application form goes live on [Rotary Club of Bloomingdale-Roselle website](#).
- January 15 – February 25, 2024 - applications accepted via [Google form](#) on Rotary Club of Bloomingdale-Roselle website.
- March 19, 2024 - finalists notified via email.
- April 8-12, 2024 - finalists interviewed.
- April 15, 2024 - recipient notified via email.
- Scholarship Presented to Winner at Rotary Annual Meeting in June, date to be determined.

APPLICANT ESSAYS – Applicants will be asked to respond to the following:

1. Describe one activity that demonstrates your largest contribution to in-school service.
2. Describe one activity that demonstrates your largest contribution to community service.
3. Describe how you have grown or changed because of your experiences in service.
4. What course of study do you plan to pursue? Describe your educational and career goals and how you expect to achieve them.
5. Describe your extracurricular activities.
6. Describe your academic accomplishments and your motivation for success.
7. Please add any other comments or information you wish to include that will assist the Scholarship Committee in differentiating you from your peers.
8. Prepare a listing of your in-school and community service.

LETTERS OF REFERENCE

1. Please obtain two letters of reference and upload them to the application Google form.

Instruction for references: Please provide any information that will be helpful in selecting this applicant. Identify how the applicant exemplifies the ideals of “Service Above Self”. Please include your relationship with the applicant and the length of time you have known them.

ALL APPLICATION MATERIALS: APPLICATION FORM, ESSAY, LETTERS OF REFERENCE, AND LISTING OF SERVICE, MUST BE SUBMITTED VIA THE APPLICATION GOOGLE FORM by 11:59 PM, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2024. NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

If you have any additional questions, please email Dr. Omar Castillo at ocastillo@esd20.org