



Nashua Rotary Club

"SERVICE ABOVE SELF"

ROTARY CLUB OF NASHUA SCHOLARSHIP FUND

BACKGROUND

The Rotary Club of Nashua Scholarship Fund is administered by a volunteer committee of members of the Club to benefit students pursuing education beyond high school at trade schools, vocational and technical colleges or other 2 or 4-year post-secondary institutions.

AWARDS

In 2023, a minimum of \$20,000 will be awarded in scholarships. Two \$10,000 awards will be payable at \$2,500 per year; and additional scholarships will be awarded at the discretion of the committee.

Although any student who meets the eligibility criteria may apply, preference may be given to those students who demonstrate the Rotary commitment of "Service Above Self" and/or who have participated in Rotary activities.

Award recipients will be expected to maintain a GPA of 3.0 and continue the commitment of "Service Above Self" in order to receive their multi-year awards and will be required to submit their annual transcripts and a brief update of their experiences.

ELIGIBILITY

Applicants to the Rotary Club of Nashua Scholarship Fund must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- Resident of Nashua and a senior attending any Nashua high school.
- Plan to attend an accredited post-secondary institution, including technical colleges, trade schools, or two-or four-year colleges.
- Not an immediate family member of a member of the Rotary Club of Nashua.
- Willing to participate in an interview. Interviews will be either in-person or virtual at the discretion of the committee.

For more information on the Nashua Rotary Club, visit www.nashuarotary.org

PROCESS

Completion of the Nashua Rotary Club Scholarship Application, which includes several short essays is required. Awards are based on criteria that include financial need, academic performance, community service, extracurricular activities, work experience, and Rotary participation. A small number of finalists may be invited for a face-to-face interview with the selection committee. Interviews are planned to be held during the month of April. Award recipients will be notified in early May and will be invited to attend a Rotary luncheon meeting in June to accept the award.

TO APPLY

Please complete the online application found at www.nashuarotary.org including responses to the essay questions found in the application. Applications must include brief financial information about your family and a copy of your current transcripts. We encourage letters of recommendation be submitted that focus on your qualifications based on the award criteria listed above. We recommend that at least one letter of recommendation be submitted by someone outside of your school who can attest to your qualifications.

To be considered, your application **MUST BE TYPED AND SUBMITTED ONLINE OR VIA EMAIL**. All application materials must be received by **5:00 pm on FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 2024**.

IMPORTANT: After completing the electronic application, please press the SUBMIT button at the end of the application. This will allow you to email the completed application.

Any supplemental materials, including current transcripts, must be provided in PDF format to: scholarships@nashuarotary.org

Recommendation Letters should also be emailed to: scholarships@nashuarotary.org

For questions, please contact:
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Paige Hultman: (603)305-5305, paige@purplefinchprop.com

LATE OR INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACKNOWLEDGED OR REVIEWED.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

NAME: _____
Last First Middle Initial

ADDRESS: _____
Street City State Zip Code

TELEPHONE: Home: _____ Cell: _____

EMAIL: _____

HIGH SCHOOL: _____ **BIRTH DATE (mm/dd/yyyy):** _____

RANK: _____ **IN CLASS OF:** _____ **CUMULATIVE GPA:** _____
(If Available) **Weighted** **Unweighted**

SCHOOL FOR WHICH AID IS REQUESTED: _____
(If applications are still pending, list most likely school) School Name State

SCHOOL IS: 4-year college 2-year college Vocational Trade

YOU PLAN TO ENROLL: Full-time Half-time

ANTICIPATED FIELD OF STUDY: _____

HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES (attach additional sheet if necessary)

List all school activities in which you have participated during high school. Include sports, student government, civic groups, volunteer projects, etc.

<u>Activity:</u>	<u>Dates (mm/yy):</u>	<u>Special Honors:</u>
_____	_____ to _____	_____
_____	_____ to _____	_____
_____	_____ to _____	_____
_____	_____ to _____	_____

Work Experience (or enclose a current resume)

<u>Employer:</u>	<u>Dates (mm/yy):</u>	<u>Position Held:</u>
_____	_____ to _____	_____
_____	_____ to _____	_____
_____	_____ to _____	_____
_____	_____ to _____	_____

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES: (attach additional sheet if necessary) List all community activities in which you have participated during high school. Include church/synagogue, civic involvement, nonprofit volunteer projects, etc.

<u>Activity:</u>	<u>Dates (mm/yy):</u>	<u>Special Honors:</u>
_____	_____ to _____	_____
_____	_____ to _____	_____
_____	_____ to _____	_____
_____	_____ to _____	_____

SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES: Do you have any unusual personal, financial or family circumstances which you want the Scholarship Committee to take into consideration? (Attach an additional sheet if necessary).

Have you participated in the Rotary Four-Way Speech Contest, Interact, RYLA, or volunteered at any Rotary event?

YES

NO

If yes, describe your participation:

ROTARY FOUR WAY TEST

Is it the Truth?

Is it Fair to all concerned?

Will it build Good Will and Better Friendships?

Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?

ESSAY QUESTIONS

In the space provided at the end of this application please respond to the following: (limit to 250 words each)

1. Describe the person who embodies the idea of excellence you try to carry for yourself. How does this person demonstrate Rotary's four-way test? This person might be a "role model" from among your family, a historical figure, or even a fictional hero - someone you are inspired by and really admire.
2. Describe what you hope to achieve in the next step of your education. What do you imagine the experience will be like? How does the educational program you will be pursuing fit with your personal and/or career goals? How do you plan to carry out the Rotary Club's four-way test and "service above self" during your academic year?
3. OPTIONAL: If there is anything else you wish to add, please tell us about it in your third essay response.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

If you are a dependent student, please also have your parents or guardians complete this form using information from their most recent IRS Tax Return. If you are an independent student, information should be taken from your and your spouse's (if applicable) most recent IRS tax return. You may claim independent status only if one or more of the following apply: (1) you have served in the military (2) you are a ward of the courts (3) you are married and living away from your parents or (4) you have not been claimed as a dependent by your parents for two consecutive years and have earned at least \$4,000 in each of those two years.

Number of family members currently living in your household (Include parents and yourself): _____

Number of family members currently enrolled in college (Do not include yourself): _____

Total Expected Annual Cost (Tuition, Room, and Board): \$ _____

I am: a Dependent Student an Independent Student

For Dependent Students:

Student

Parent(s) or Guardian(s)

Adjusted Gross Income: \$ _____

\$ _____

For Independent Students:

Student
(or student + spouse if filed jointly)

Spouse
(if applicable and filed separately)

Adjusted Gross Income: \$ _____

\$ _____

CERTIFICATION

By entering your initials below, you certify that the information on this form is true and complete to the best of your knowledge. If asked by any authorized official of Rotary club of Nashua, you agree to give documentation for information given on this form. Further, you understand that the financial information will be considered confidential, for review by members of the Rotary Club of Nashua Scholarship Committee. Please enter dates in (mm/dd/yyyy) format.

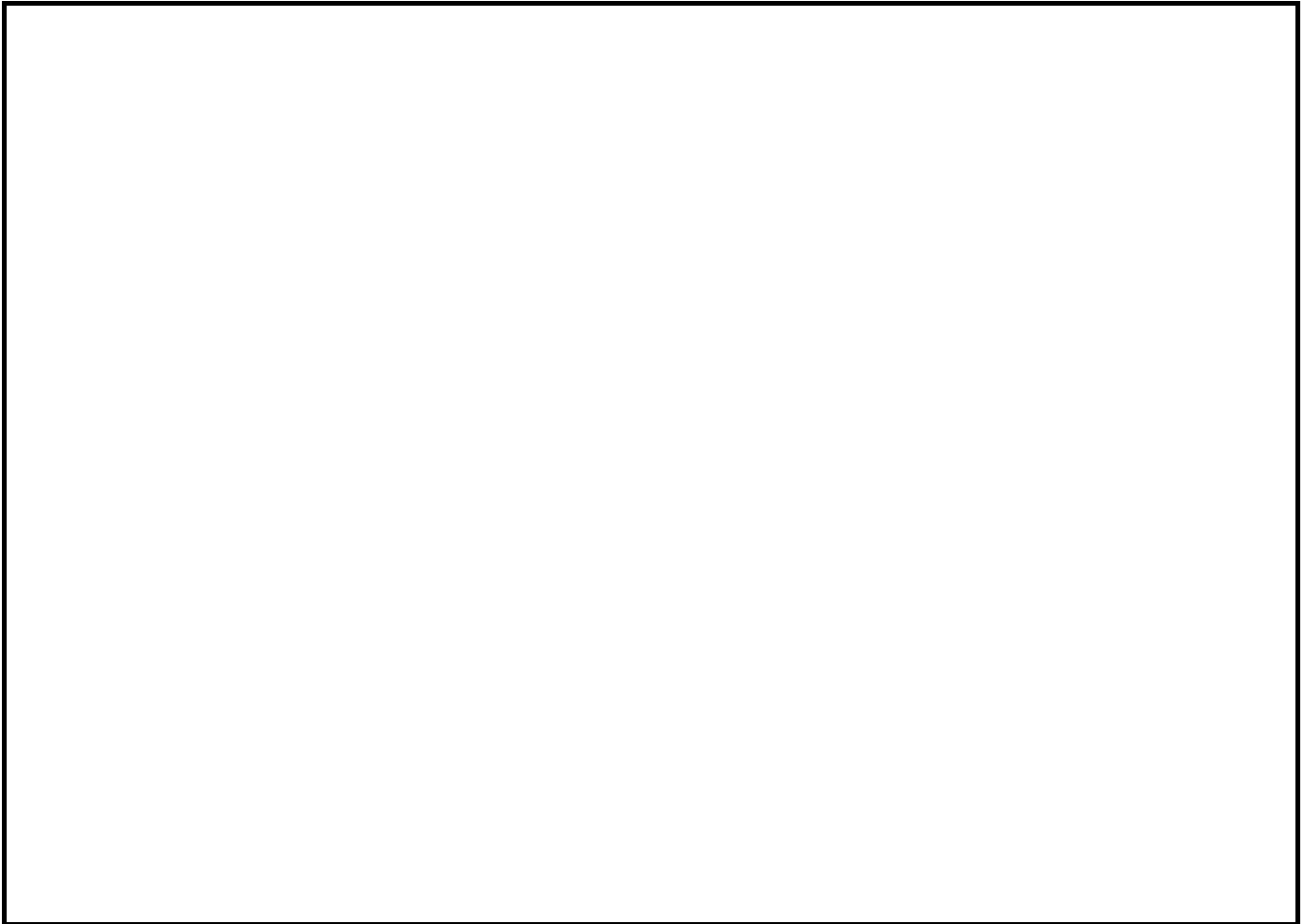
Student Initials: _____ Date: _____

Parent (or Spouse) Initials: _____ Date: _____

ANSWERS TO ESSAY QUESTIONS

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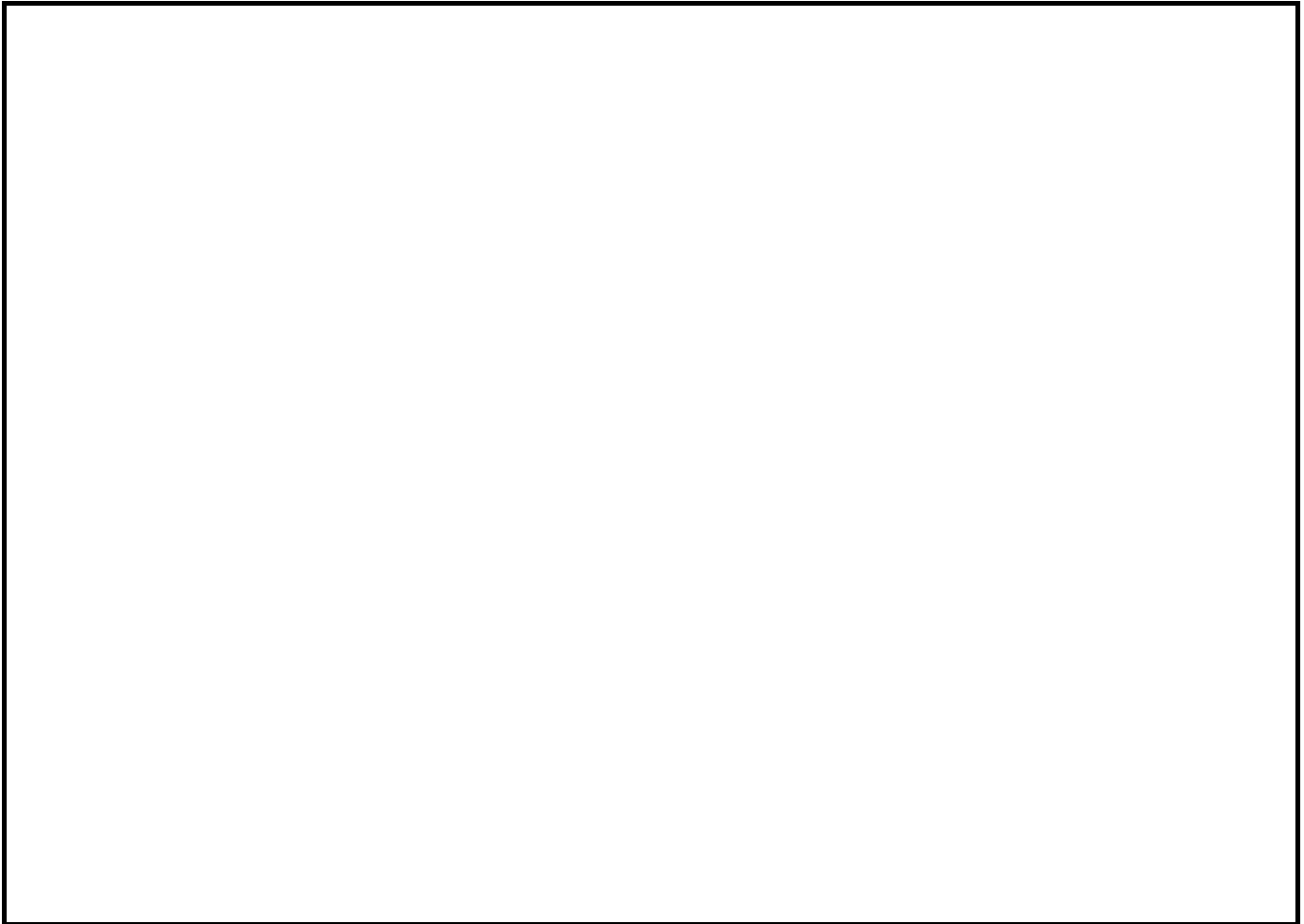
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OPTIONAL: If there is anything else you wish to add, please tell us about it.

When you have completed the application, it is strongly recommended that you save a copy of it, in hardcopy, electronic format, or both, before submitting. PRINT and SAVE buttons have been provided below for this purpose.

Your application is not complete until you press the SUBMIT button. This will give you the opportunity to email your application directly to the scholarship committee for consideration. The SUBMIT button will only work if you are working on a device that is capable of sending an email. If this is not the case, SAVE this application and then email the saved file to scholarships@nashuarotary.org.

Don't forget to attach a PDF copy of your current transcripts to that email and ensure that all of your letters of recommendation are emailed in accordance with the instructions on the cover page.

Thank you for applying.