



Phoenix Scholarship Award

To Recognize Students Who Have Overcome Obstacles To Complete Their High School Education

The Rotary Club of South Bend encourages and supports the youth of our community so that they will become contributing citizens of the future. With this objective in mind, the Rotary Club of South Bend has established the **PHOENIX AWARD** to recognize students who have overcome obstacles to complete their high school education.

Each **PHOENIX AWARD** given will be to help support pursuit and completion of a baccalaureate degree. The award may be used for tuition, fees, books, supplies, and other miscellaneous expenses incurred toward their education. The award will be paid directly to the College or University. The winner will receive a certification of accomplishment at the Rotary awards ceremony usually held on a Wednesday in mid-May.

The award is **\$2,500.00** paid annually for up to four years. Students receiving the **PHOENIX AWARD** are required to adhere to the following:

1. **Each student must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5** (equivalent to a C average) to continue receiving the **PHOENIX AWARD**.
2. Students receiving the **PHOENIX AWARD** are required to submit an official school transcript to the South Bend Rotary Club at the end of each academic year.
3. Students receiving the **PHOENIX AWARD** assume an obligation to conduct themselves in a manner compatible with Rotary's mission exemplified by its motto of *Service Above Self*. The Rotary Club of South Bend reserves the right to rescind any **PHOENIX AWARD** should this obligation not be met by the student.
4. Phoenix Scholars agree to participate fully in the mentoring process that has been developed by South Bend Rotary. Full participation includes:
 - a. Being responsive to communication from your assigned mentor;
 - b. Providing your mentor with your school address, current email address, and class schedule;
 - c. Contacting your mentor at a minimum of twice during the fall and twice during the spring semesters, along with at least one face to face meeting;
 - d. Communicating with your mentor as a resource for your overcoming challenges during your college experience;
 - e. Sharing information with your mentor if you have employment plans for holidays and summers.

Nominations for this award must come from an accredited public or private secondary school serving the South Bend community. **Each nominee must be a senior in high school who is expected to graduate with at least a 2.5 grade point average.** The award will not be given to the son or daughter of a Rotary member.

The Rotary Scholarship Committee will review all nominations and all nominees will receive a letter informing them of the committee's decision. **Counselors may submit more than one application as we have had multiple scholarship recipients from the same school.** Notification of the award winners will be sent to the students and their schools. Winners and sponsors should be available to attend the Rotary awards ceremony at noon on **May 13, 2020.**

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE REQUIRED FOR NOMINATION:

1. A COMPLETED NOMINATION FORM.
2. A DESCRIPTION OF THE STUDENT'S ACHIEVEMENTS IN OVERCOMING OBSTACLES.
3. A LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION FROM A CURRENT OR PAST TEACHER.
4. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT THAT YOU AND YOUR COUNSELOR HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE STATEMENT OF EXPECTATIONS AND THAT YOU ARE WILLING TO ABIDE BY THEM IF SELECTED AS AN AWARD WINNER.

Completed nomination forms and supporting documents must be received at the address noted below no later than **Monday, March 16, 2020.**

ROTARY SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

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ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTH BEND

PHOENIX AWARD NOMINATION FORM

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

NAME OF NOMINEE

PHONE

ADDRESS

CITY, STATE, ZIP

DATE EXPECTED TO GRADUATE

CURRENT GRADE POINT AVERAGE

PARENT OR GUARDIAN NAME

PHONE

PARENT OR GUARDIAN ADDRESS

YES

NO

Is the nominee a senior in high school?

☐☐

Is the nominee a son or daughter of a Rotarian?

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Will the nominee & sponsor be able to attend Awards Ceremony on May 13th?

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SAT or ACT Score

Name of College attending

Is the nominee's college application (circle one) approved or pending?

Name of individual nominating you

Relationship to nominee

Daytime Phone

- Describe the nominee's achievements in overcoming obstacles to complete their high school education on a single page attached to this form.
- Attach a recommendation letter from a teacher.
- Include a one-page written essay from the nominee outlining career goals and academic accomplishments.

All of the above requirements must be completed to be considered for the Phoenix Award.