



**PEQUANNOCK VALLEY ROTARY**  
SERVING PEQUANNOCK, LINCOLN PARK AND RIVERDALE  
"SERVICE ABOVE SELF"  
**2021 SCHOLARSHIP**

**APPLICANTS – PLEASE READ THE LETTER AND FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY**

Attached is the application for the 2021 Pequannock Valley Rotary Scholarship. The Rotary's moto is *Service Above Self*, so the scholarship awards are heavy based on volunteer activities and community service. The application must be completed *by the student*. A representative from the applicant's high school must sign as well as a parent or guardian. The committee will take into consideration how well the applicant can follow application directions.

Applicants must be attending a COLLEGE, TRADE SCHOOL or other institution in the Fall of 2021. Applicants must reside in Lincoln Park, Pequannock, Pompton Plains or Riverdale.

Please submit your application to your high school guidance counselor or mail directly to:

**The Pequannock Valley Rotary Club / Scholarship Committee**  
**P.O. Box 16**  
**Pequannock, NJ 07440**

**ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY MARCH 20, 2021.**

**SCHOLARSHIP TYPES:**

- GENERAL: students who plan to further their academic education and earn a college degree
- VOCATIONAL/TRADE SCHOOL: students who plan on a future education in a specific trade such as nursing, culinary, electrical, plumbing
- MEMORIAL: given in memory of a retired or deceased rotary member

**SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA:**

- academic achievement
- community service
- extra-curricular activities
- financial need may be considered

All applications will be reviewed and selections will be made by the Pequannock Valley Rotary Scholarship Committee. Candidates selected will be notified prior to their graduation and invited to attend our Scholarship Luncheon in June 2021 to receive their award. All information submitted will be held in strictest confidence and will become the property of the Pequannock Valley Rotary Club Scholarship Committee. Applications from candidates related to a current Pequannock Valley Rotarian will not be considered.

**BE SURE TO COMPLETE / INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING WITH YOUR APPLICATION:**

**SIGNATURES/CERTIFICATIONS:** All applications must be certified, signed and dated by the applicant, the applicant's parents/guardian and the applicant's High School Counselor or Representative. **Lack of proper signatures and or information may disqualify you, so PLEASE READ ANF FOLLOW ALL INSTRUCTIONS.**

**DOCUMENTATION:** Supporting documents to be included with this application:

- Sealed transcript of your high school subjects and grades
- Recommendation from your high school guidance department
- Character reference, from someone other than a relative

**PEQUANNOCK VALLEY ROTARY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

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Candidate Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**CANDIDATE'S CERTIFICATION:**

I certify that I have personally completed this scholarship application for the Pequannock Valley Rotary and have answered the questions to be best of my ability. I also hereby agree to the publication of my name and/or photo for public relations purposes, if I am selected as a recipient.

Pequannock Valley Rotary Scholarship awards are cash awards to be used toward expenses incurred in connection with my continuing education. Should I be awarded a scholarship and decide not to continue my education I understand that the scholarship money must be repaid to Pequannock Valley Rotary.

Pequannock Valley Rotary reserves the right to request verification of any information disclosed on this application.

Signature of Candidate: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT CERTIFICATION:**

*While the information below is optional, it is **STONGLY SUGGESTED** that it is included to allow the committee to make a fair decision when choosing recipients.*

- Income, (mother & father combined even if living in separate households): \_\_\_\_\_
- Number of children in the household: \_\_\_\_\_
- Number of dependent children attending college, (do not include the applicant in the total): \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the information submitted has been reviewed by me and is complete and accurate. I further certify that the income stated is accurate. I am aware that upon acceptance of a scholarship that I may be requested to verify my income to the Rotary accountant as designated.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Parent/Guardian Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Parent/Guardian

**GUIDANCE CERTIFICATION:**

Current GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Class Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Students in Graduation Class: \_\_\_\_\_

ABOVE INFORMATION CERTIFIED BY:

\_\_\_\_\_  
signature and title of certifying official

# ***Pequannock Valley Rotary 2021 Scholarship Application***

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High School Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ College Major: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(undecided is an acceptable answer)*

List Colleges, Vocational/Trade or other Institutions that you have been accepted at. Please note which college you plan on attending, (if you have decided):

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

Please tell us about other grants, scholarships or college financial awards that you may have received:

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**TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF: Is there something about you or your current situation that is important for the committee to know about you? Do you feel that your current situation should be of “hardship” consideration such as: a death of an immediate family member that has affected your education or living situation, is someone incapacitated that is a guardian or other support provider, are you a caregiver to an immediate family member, or is there something in your family background that has created special circumstances for your future? ALL INFORMATION IS STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL. \*Please use a separate sheet of paper if needed.**

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## **EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:**

Extracurricular activities can include membership or leadership in clubs, athletics, the arts, organizations, etc. These activities ARE NOT community service projects or volunteer work. Please include dates. \*Please use a separate sheet of paper if needed for additional activities.

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

**VOLUNTEER/COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES:**

Please list any volunteering you have been involved with. Activities that are a required part of your curriculum in school, or required by any other entity, should ONLY be listed if you have exceeded the requirements. \*Please use a separate sheet of paper if needed for additional activities.

**Volunteer Organization & Activity, please include the length of the Project and/or hours worked volunteering**

**Name of Coordinator and phone number/e-mail for verification of hours**

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**EMPLOYMENT:**

Please list employment history, include dates of employment.

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

**ESSAY:**

**2020 did not offer many volunteering opportunities as many organizations curtailed projects/services to ensure the safety of everyone during COVID.**

**We would like you to prepare an essay focusing on the Rotary’s motto of “Service above Self.” What do you think that means and why it is important? We would also like you to include your thoughts about the pandemic and any personal experiences that you could share about how COVID affected you, your family and your future.**

**THIS IS YOUR CHANCE TO SHOW THE COMMITTEE WHO YOU ARE!**

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