



Rotary Club of Burleson, Texas Scholarship Selection Committee

*Burleson Rotary Club
Scholarship Committee
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High School Graduating Seniors and Parents of Seniors:

High School graduation is such an exciting time in your life. Those who plan to continue their academic career are no doubt aware of the cost of attending higher education institutions. The Burleson Rotary Club has historically tried to assist graduating seniors in defraying these costs by awarding scholarships.

This year the Burleson Rotary Club will present five (5) monetary awards. We will award five students with a \$2,000 scholarship to the trade, two-year or four-year institution of their choice.

Any student located in the Burleson ISD service area, who is not related to a member of Rotary International, will be eligible.

Scholarships are awarded to graduating seniors who demonstrate financial need, commitment to community service, and academic proficiency. Though grade point average will be considered in selecting the recipients of this academic award, it will not be the sole criterion. Students are encouraged to apply for the scholarship even if their grade average is not the highest in the class. However, all of our scholarships are competitive scholarships. You must apply to be considered. If you wish to apply for the Academic Scholarship, please follow the directions provided below:

Qualifications

All graduating seniors who attend Burleson High School, Centennial High School or another accredited school program that is located within the Burleson ISD service area, including a qualified home school.

Application

Complete the application form attached. Please type or print. If you feel that you need to expand on your response, attach additional sheets to the completed application. **Please note that the deadline for your application to be turned in is April 4, 2023.**

Selection and Notification

Students will be selected for a final interview for the academic scholarships. The interview will be held before the Rotary Scholarship Selection committee, which is comprised of four or five members of the Burleson Rotary Club. **The interview will be conducted on Saturday April 22, 2023.** If selected for an interview, you will receive an email shortly after April 14, 2023 to notify you the specifics of the interview. **Please make every effort to attend the appointed interview, as an alternate date will not be provided.** If you miss the interview, your application will be evaluated without an interview. Notification of the scholarship award will be provided the week of April 24, 2023. The Scholarship Awards will be presented at the annual awards ceremony as scheduled by your high school in May. The selected students will be notified of any changes to this schedule.

Responsibilities and Conditions

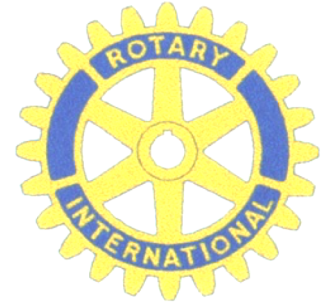
1. The student who is awarded the Burleson Scholarship Award is required to attend one meeting immediately following selection. The student may be asked to speak before the assembled Rotary membership for 5 to 6 minutes each regarding his/her academic plans and what the scholarship means to him/her.
2. The academic scholarship award recipient must provide a semi-annual report detailing the academic progress being made. The student will be provided a brief form, furnished by the Burleson Rotary Club, to fill out and to return.
3. It is requested that the academic scholarship recipient occasionally be available during holiday breaks for a brief update at a regular meeting of the Burleson Rotary Club. This is not a mandatory, our Club just enjoys hearing back from students on how school is going and will depend upon availability of the student.
4. The Burleson Rotary Academic Scholarship is awarded on an annual basis. The student must maintain a 2.5 grade point average continue the scholarship into the successive year. Students placed upon academic probation must provide a detailed written explanation of the academic probation status and clearly indicate any mitigating circumstances that would justify continuation of the scholarship award. Failure to do so will result in the immediate termination of the scholarship award.
5. The scholarship award recipient must remain in good standing with the academic institution and local, state, and federal authorities. Any official censure, suspension, arrest or conviction by any of the aforementioned authorities may cause the scholarship award to be terminated immediately.

The Burleson Rotary Club extends our best wishes for your future. It is our desire that all graduating seniors have rewarding experiences in all that you do after graduation. We are pleased that we have this opportunity to help in this small way.

Best wishes

Burleson Rotary Selection Committee

Burleson Rotary Club Academic Scholarship Application



Information and Instruction Sheet

If you wish to apply for the Burleson Academic Scholarship Award, please follow the directions provided below:

Qualifications

All graduating seniors who attend school in the Burleson ISD service area including a qualified home school. However, you may apply to only one Rotary Scholarship.

Application

1. Please type or print. If you feel that you need to expand on your response, attach additional sheets.
2. You **must** provide a recent photograph of yourself. Attach it to the spot provided on the application. A photograph is required.
3. **Write an essay** on the topic of The Significance of the Rotary Four-Way Test. This essay should be at least 750 words in length but no more than 1000 words. The essay should have a cover sheet showing the title and your name. The essay will be evaluated on the basis of its ability to convey sincerity, its originality, and the ability to communicate ideas. The Four-Way Test is listed as follows:

Rotary Four-Way Test (of the things we say and do)

- 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?
4. Attach a **copy of your transcript including the first semester of your senior year**, as provided by the school administrative office, to the completed application. **Applications must be received by April 4, 2023. Mail the application to:**

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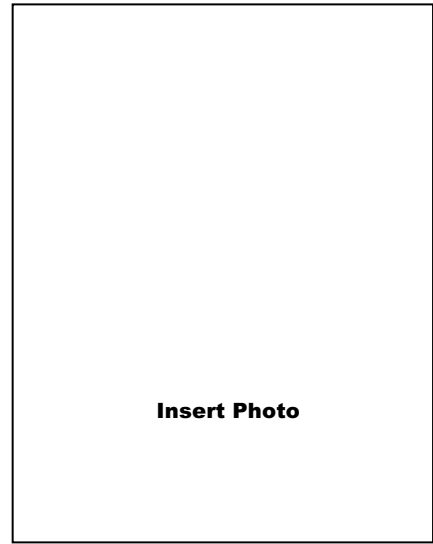
5. **You may also email your application with all of the attachments to rhyanrotary@gmail.com. YOUR APPLICATION MUST BE IN PDF FORMAT TO BE ACCEPTED ELECTRONICALLY.**
6. Attach any additional information that you feel would be helpful to the committee to determine your selection for the scholarship.



Burleson Rotary Club Scholarship

Academic Application

(All information provided on this application will be kept in the strictest confidence)



Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Best phone # to reach you: _____

_____ Email: _____

Place of Birth: _____ Date of Birth: _____

List offices held, honors, and awards received since you entered High School:

List out of school activities, offices, awards, church activities, hobbies, etc.:

How many children, including yourself are in your family? _____

What are the ages of these children? _____

What is the estimated annual income of your family? _____

Father's name and address _____

Father's place of employment and job description _____

Mother's name and address _____

Mother's place of employment and job description _____

What will be your major field of study? _____

What higher education institution do you plan to attend? _____

Signature of Applicant _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian _____