



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 two (2) monetary awards. We will award two students with a \$5,000 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. 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 8, 2024.*

Please email in **PDF format** to lkeese@nexamortgage.com

NO GOOGLE DOCS will be accepted

Selection and Notification

Students will be selected for a final interview for the academic scholarship. 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 27, 2024. If selected for an interview, you will receive an email shortly after April 20, 2024 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 29, 2024. The Scholarship Award 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. 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.
- 3. The Burleson Rotary Academic Scholarship is a one-time award.
- 4. 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. If you feel that you need to expand on your response, attach additional sheets.
- 2. You **must** provide a recent photograph of yourself. A photograph is required.
- 3. **Write an essay** on the topic of how community service has impacted your life. 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.
- 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 8, 2024.
- 5. You may email your application in PDF format with all of the attachments to lkeese@nexamortgage.com
- 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 s	ince you entered High School:
List out of school activities, offices, awards, chu	Best phone # to reach you: Email: Date of Birth: d, honors, and awards received since you entered High School: bol activities, offices, awards, church activities, hobbies, etc.: dren, including yourself are in your family? ges of these children? imated annual income of your family? and address of employment and job description pur major field of study? ducation institution do you plan to attend?
How many children, including yourself are in yo	ur family?
What are the ages of these children?	
What is the estimated annual income of your fa	mily?
Father's name and address	
Father's place of employment and job description	on
Mother's name and address	
Mother's place of employment and job descripti	on
What will be your major field of study?	
Signature of Parent or Guardian	