

Rotary Club of York, PA

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DATE: April 1, 2021
TO: York County High School Guidance and University Financial Aid Departments
RE: Rotary Club of York Student Education Chair's Scholarship

The Rotary Club of York is pleased to offer the inaugural **Student Education Chair's Scholarship** to current college students. This new scholarship is based on community service, accomplishments, and academics. After reviewing the criteria below, we ask that you invite those who qualify to apply. The Student Education Committee will review all applications received and select students to be personally interviewed for the scholarship.

The following **criteria** are applicable for the **Rotary Club of York Student Education Chair's Scholarship**:

1. The scholarship is for the academic year beginning August 2021.
2. The scholarship has a total value of **\$ 5,000**. \$ 2,500 will be awarded for the recipient's junior year. After review of academic performance and annual community service activities, \$ 2,500 will be available for the senior year. The scholarship check is payable to the educational institution.
3. It is open to current full-time undergraduate college students pursuing a 4-year degree enrolled in an accredited post-secondary educational institution.
4. For the 2021-2022 academic year, applicant must be **currently enrolled for their JUNIOR year** with a college cumulative GPA minimum of 3.00.
5. A written essay is required answering "**How have you demonstrated 'Service Above Self' in your first two years of college?**".
6. Applicant must be a graduate of a York County, PA high school or currently residing full-time in York County.
7. This scholarship is awarded based on community service, accomplishments, and academics. Financial need may be considered.
8. Scholarships are awarded without regard to race, color, creed, religion, sex, gender, age, or national origin.
9. A personal interview with the Rotary Club of York Student Education Committee will be required and scheduled at the convenience of the committee.
10. The Rotary Club of York Student Scholarship Program and the Whiteley Student Educational Loan Program are not mutually exclusive.
11. If the student withdraws from the college or university, the scholarship (based on per cent refunded) shall be returned to the Rotary Club of York by the university as usual policy.

The current application form and informational letter are available on the Rotary Club of York website, www.yorkrotary.org. From the home page, select "Resources" tab, "Forms and Documents", and then to "2021 Student Ed Chair". From there you can open the corresponding informational letter and download the application. Please complete the application, print, sign and return the application with all requested required documentation to the Rotary Club of York, c/o American Red Cross, 724 South George Street, York PA 17401 **BEFORE the May 31 deadline**. Handwritten applications are not acceptable. Incomplete applications may not be considered. Applications received after the May 31 deadline will NOT be accepted. Please factor in the US Postal Service and their recent delays and backlogs due to the pandemic.

We would appreciate your help in finding **eligible students** to apply for this scholarship to honor dedication and hard work of the Rotary Club of York Student Education Committee. It is our goal to assist students attain their educational goals.

If you have any questions regarding this Student Education Chair scholarship, please contact Renea Oberdick, Student Education Administrator, at officeassist@yorkrotary.org. The American Red Cross has closed the building due to the pandemic. Access to the building, including the office telephone and answering machine, is extremely limited. Thank you for your understanding.

Sincerely,

Diane Merino

Diane C. Merino
Student Education Funds Committee Chair