

Application for 2017 Rotary Scholarship Award

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GUIDANCE COUNSELOR'S PROTOCOL

Read all materials carefully, the Scholarship Program has changed from prior years. Application forms from previous years are not valid and will not be accepted.

Introduction

This scholarship program is a vocational service activity of the Rotary Club of Asbury Park and seeks to assist and encourage high school seniors of **Asbury Park, Neptune, Ocean Township and Academy Charter High Schools** to pursue a post-secondary education with an emphasis on service to the community. The Rotary Club of Asbury Park expects to award up to one scholarship for each of the four high schools. Each selected student will be awarded a scholarship of up to **\$2000 payable in equal annual installments over the first 2 years of their specific post-secondary educational program.** This scholarship is **payable directly to the student** to be used for books and other educational expenses. \$1000 payment will be made after the successful completion of the first semester and the final \$1000 will be made after the successful completion of the third semester. Eligibility and awards will be decided by the Rotary Club of Asbury Park based on the applicant pool.

Eligibility Requirements

In order to be considered for a Rotary Club Scholarship Award the applicant must:

1. Be a graduate or anticipate graduating from one of the four high schools noted above.
2. Rank in the top 1/2 of the graduating class.
3. Matriculate by October 1st of the application year at a college accredited by an agency recognized by the US Department of Education.
4. In order to receive scholarship we must receive a transcript with the official college seal stating or providing evidence of successful completion of **first and third semesters semester** maintaining an average of 2.5 or better as a full time student.
5. If an award winner transfers from his or her chosen institution the committee must be notified in writing to determine if guidelines are still being met.
6. Completed applications must be received by **May 10, 2017**

Children, grandchildren of members of the Rotary Club of Asbury Park are ineligible

Criteria for Selection

In awarding scholarships the Rotary Club of Asbury Park shall evaluate the applicants based on the following criteria:

- Involvement in community service and commitment to making a difference
- Demonstrated leadership in school and community activities
- Character, integrity, initiative and other personal qualities
- Academic GPA of 2.5 or higher

Every complete application must include:

1. A completed application form signed by the applicant and the applicant's parent or guardian.
2. Written essay of 250 words or more, see application for details
3. **An official transcript with the seal of the school for grades nine through twelve. The transcript must include the applicant's current rank in class.**
4. **SAT scores for math and Reading. ACT scores are also acceptable.**
5. Completed applications must be received by **May 10, 2017**
6. A minimum of four applications per school must be submitted by guidance officials this will be strictly enforced.

Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Submission Instructions:

Ensure all the above items are complete. The application form, along with the transcript and two recommendations must be submitted at the same time. Incomplete applications will not receive further consideration. Mail the complete packet to:

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Applications may be obtained from the following:

1. Guidance Office at each participating high school
2. Download from the home page of www.AsburyParkRotary.org
3. By e-mailing brenda@brendaskinner.com

About The Rotary Club of Asbury Park

The Rotary Club of Asbury Park is part of Rotary International, which consists of more than 30,000 clubs in over 200 countries. There are over a million Rotarians, each working to strengthen their local community and contributing toward the goal of polio eradication. All Rotarians work locally to raise money for both local and international humanitarian causes. Our service area consists of Asbury Park, Neptune, Ocean Township, Interlaken, Allenhurst, Neptune City, Deal and Loch Arbour.

The Rotary Club of Asbury Park holds many events each year to involve the local community and to raise money for charitable and civic works and organizations. Our largest event of the year is The Rotary Polar Plunge held each January to raise funds for Rotary Eye Rescue. Our other projects include the Dictionary project which provides free dictionaries to Third Grade students in our service area, The Starlight Chorale and The Vince Lombardi Awards Banquet. During the last twenty years, Rotarians around the world have raised over \$800,000,000 since 1985 to eradicate polio.

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster, among other things, high ethical standards in business and professions as well as the advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service. All Rotarians subscribe to a simple, universal code of conduct known as the Four-way Test:

In the things that we say, think, and do:

- ◆ Is it the TRUTH
- ◆ Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- ◆ Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- ◆ Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Rotary Club of Asbury Park
Scholarship Award Application
2017-18 College Year

Applicant Name _____

Residence Address _____

Residence Telephone _____ Other _____

Social Security Number _____

E-mail address _____

Parent or Guardian:

Name(s) _____

Residence Address _____

High School Data:

Name of School _____

School Mailing Address _____

Guidance Department Phone Number _____

Guidance Counselor's Name & email _____

Anticipated Date of Graduation _____

Applicant's Continuing Education Plans:

Please identify the college, university or community college (vocational/technical school) you plan to attend in 2017-2018

Name of school _____

Address _____

Have you been accepted to Yes_____ No_____

Applicant's Goals and Aspirations:

What is your intended field of study and professional goals _____

Financial Information:

Explain the financial need for this scholarship _____

No official financial aid application is required, however, please select one of the following income categories. Please use Adjusted Gross Income from parent's most recent tax return. Copy of tax return may be required.

___ Under 30,000 ___ 50,000-75,000 ___ over 125,000
___ 30,001-49,999 ___ 75,001 to 124,900

Number of siblings, their ages and schools attending, if any: _____

Essay

You may use your college application's essay for the Rotary Club Scholarship purpose. If you have not addressed your community service in this essay, please add whatever information is necessary to your present essay to tell us about what you've been doing in your community and how that will make you a good candidate for our scholarship.

Applicant's Name _____

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I certify that all statements on this application are true. I must have successfully completed the first semester of my freshman year and be registered for second semester or I will forfeit all claims to the Rotary Club of Asbury Park Scholarship Award.

Student's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent's Signature(s) _____

Guidance Counselor Checklist

- Completed, signed application
- Essay
- Transcript (including GPA & class rank)
- SAT scores (ACT also acceptable)

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