



Salem Rotary Club Scholarship Applications 2017



Enclosed are two scholarship applications. Please indicate to which scholarship(s), you are applying. You MAY apply for BOTH, but you need to fill out each application completely:

- The Salem Rotary Club Scholarship (College or Trade School)
- The Robert P. "Buck" Alexander Merit Scholarship

Applicant must be a resident of Salem, Massachusetts. Applicants for a Salem Rotary scholarship may not be the child, grandchild, niece, nephew, great niece or great nephew (this includes adoptive or step relationship) of any current member of Salem Rotary, or any person that has been a member of Salem Rotary within the past five years. These scholarships are available to Grade 12 High School and Trade School students pursuing college or a vocational trade. Applications will be accepted from March 1, 2017 through April 15, 2017. Applicants may apply for either scholarship, or both.

If you are applying for both, please be certain to complete both the Salem Rotary Club Scholarship application as well as the Robert P. "Buck" Alexander, Merit Scholarship. (The Robert P. "Buck" Alexander Merit Scholarship application has different requirements so please be sure to review the application carefully before completing and submitting it.

Typically, several applicants receive a Salem Rotary Scholarship, while only two applicants will receive the Robert P. "Buck" Alexander Merit Scholarship. **PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT DUE TO THE LARGE NUMBER OF QUALIFIED APPLICANTS, NOT EVERY APPLICANT WILL RECEIVE A SCHOLARSHIP EVEN IF YOU ARE SELECTED FOR AN INTERVIEW.**

We thank you for your interest and recognize your hard work and effort during high school. We wish you luck in your future endeavors whether or not we are able to award you a scholarship.

A complete application **must** include the following information. (Please double check):

- School transcript (including standardized test scores).
- Letter of recommendation from your guidance counselor or faculty
- Copy of your Federal Student Aid Report (FSFSA)
- Tuition Statement from College/University or Trade School
- Brief Spreadsheet showing the Cost of Your Education and How You Will Pay For It

Please mail completed applications to: Salem Rotary Club PO Box 608 Salem, MA 01970
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The Salem Rotary Scholarship

Name of Applicant:

Date of Birth:

Home Address:

Phone #:

E-Mail Address:

Cell Phone #:

Name of Parents or Guardian:

Occupation of Parents/Guardian:

Secondary School Attended:

School Years:

Secondary School Attended (if more than one):

School Years:

Date of Expected Graduation:

College Entering/Trade Pursuing:

What College or Trade School is Your First Choice?

Intended Major:

College or Trade School Address:

Activities: List organizations (schools, church, community) in which you have been active and describe your participation in each:

Special Recognitions and Honors Awarded:

Describe any financial aid awarded by your school or college:

List any and all other scholarships and or financial aid you have been awarded or applied for:

Describe any after school and summer jobs you have held:

Tell us anything about yourself, which would be helpful to the Scholarship Committee in evaluating your application. What makes you suited to receive a Salem Rotary Scholarship?

Please Note: Incomplete applications will not be considered. If you are unable to complete all components of this application or require assistance, please contact your guidance department. By completing this application you acknowledge and agree that not all applicants will receive a scholarship and that the Scholarship Committee at its sole discretion reserves the right to decide which individuals will or will not receive scholarships; said decisions being final and not open to subsequent discussion.

The undersigned hereby consents to the disclosure of information regarding any award he/she may receive from the Salem Rotary Club and to the publication of photograph(s) and announcement(s) regarding any such award.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Don't forget to review this application for completeness:

- High School transcript, including standardized test scores.
- Letter of recommendation from your Guidance Counselor or Faculty Member.
- Copy of your Federal Student Aid Report
- Tuition statement from the college or university you will most likely attend.
- Spreadsheet showing the complete cost of your education (one column) and your sources of money to pay for it (second column). These two columns should be labeled and totaled and should equal each other.
- Applications must be postmarked no later than April 15, 2017.

All information submitted will be held in the strictest confidence

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Salem Rotary Scholarship
P. O. Box 608
Salem, MA 01970

The Robert P. “Buck” Alexander, D.M.D. Merit Scholarship

ADMINISTERED BY THE SALEM ROTARY CLUB

The purpose of the scholarship is to recognize and reward students who contribute to and make a difference in their home, school and community at large, and who are likely to continue to do so in the future. This is a merit scholarship, and like the National Merit Scholarship, selection will be based on merit, character, accomplishment and involvement, and is largely need blind. This scholarship is meant to *complement* the Rotary Scholarship by recognizing those exceptional students who have demonstrated that they are not afraid to work hard and give their time to make life a little better for others.

Each year the club will choose two “Buck” scholarship recipients, one male and one female. Applicants can attend any public or private school, but must be a Salem resident. Each recipient will receive a minimum of \$2,500.

Requirements:

Applicants must have participated in volunteer activities in service of others, not just for a one-day project or walk, but on a regular basis throughout their high school years.

Applicants should be active in extracurricular activities, be involved in their school and community in some way and be the ones you can count on to help out or just listen.

Applicants will have held a job during high school to help contribute to their families, and to their own future education.

Applicants for this scholarship should be a role model, or contributed and made a difference in the lives of other students and community members.

THE ROBERT P. “BUCK” ALEXANDER, DMD MERIT SCHOLARSHIP

Your typed and completed application must include the following information:

- Available school transcript to date (including standardized test scores)
- Minimum of two letters of recommendation
 - A. One from school
 - B. One from your employer or volunteer activity

Describe in detail what your specific goals in life are:

Where will you be in 5 years?

Where will you be in 10 years?

What is most important to you in life?

Describe any after school and summer jobs you have held:

What did you use the money you earned for?

Volunteer Work:

- 1) What made you decide to participate in this particular activity?

- 2) What is the most rewarding activity you have been involved in and why?

- 3) What unexpected lesson or message did you learn from it?

Please read the following quote. Then write a brief essay addressing the questions below.

“To laugh often and much, to win the respect of intelligent people and the affection of children, to earn the appreciation of honest critics and endure the betrayal of false friends, to appreciate beauty, to find the best in others, to leave the world a bit better, whether by a healthy child, a garden patch... to know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived. This is to have succeeded!” – Emerson

Is this still relevant in today’s world? What does this mean to you? How does it relate to you personally? Tell us everything about yourself that will be helpful for us to know you better.

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Signature of Applicant

Date

Reminder: Your typed and completed Robert P. “Buck” Alexander Merit Scholarship application must include the following information:

- Available school transcript to date (including standardized test scores)
- Minimum of two letters of recommendation
 - A. One from school
 - B. One from your employer or volunteer activity

APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN April 15, 2017

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Attn: Robert “Buck” Alexander Scholarship
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