



# KIWANIS CLUB OF RIVER FOREST / OAK PARK

## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

**Purpose:** The Kiwanis Club of River Forest / Oak Park will award one or more scholarships in April 2020 to assist high school seniors who have demonstrated exemplary efforts in community service to others, achievements in scholastics and extra-curricular activities to attend the college of their choice.

**Eligibility:** Residents of River Forest and Oak Park that are currently in their senior year of high school are eligible. Scholarship applications must be received by mail or email before April 1, 2020.

**Selection:** The Kiwanis Club of River Forest / Oak Park's Scholarship Committee will review the applications and make their recommendation to their Board of Directors. The Club's scholarships are awarded with the goal of fostering community leaders, based on a demonstrated history of service to others. **Thirty (30%)** percent of the weighting is on community service, **twenty (20%)** is on the personal statement, **twenty (20%)** percent on the letters of recommendation, **fifteen (15%) percent** on extracurricular activities and **fifteen (15%)** percent is on scholastic achievements. Transcripts are not required for the application but may requested prior to an award.

**Award:** A scholarship amount typically ranging from \$500 to \$1,500 will be awarded to the selected applicant(s). The recipient(s) agree(s) to attend a regularly scheduled Kiwanis Club meeting to accept their award and give a brief talk reflecting what they learned from their community service experience and how it will affect their plans for the future.

**Submittal:** Completed application forms must be received by mail or email to the following on or before April 1, 2020.

Email: [RFOP.Kiwanis.Scholarship@gmail.com](mailto:RFOP.Kiwanis.Scholarship@gmail.com)

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## **Personal Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
                                First  Middle  Last

Address: \_\_\_\_\_,  
                                Street  City

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parent or guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Scholastic Information:**

Name of high school attended: \_\_\_\_\_ G.P.A.: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ unweighted (max. of 4.0)

Honors or awards received: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated college major and the college, vocational, or other post-secondary schools to which you have been accepted or plan to attend:

\_\_\_\_\_  
                                Major  School

## **Extra-Curricular Activities:**

Describe either below on a separate sheet your participation in sports, arts and clubs and note any specific roles that you held:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Other hobbies and activities: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Experience: \_\_\_\_\_

Community service: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## **Personal References:**

Ask two individuals (who are unrelated to you) to write letters of recommendation for this scholarship. One of the letters must be from someone at your high school.

**Personal Statement:**

On a separate sheet, provide a brief statement on each of the following (in 1 page or less, single spaced):

- a) Describe a situation in which you played a leadership role (formally or informally) and made a positive difference.
- b) Discuss what you learned from your community service and how that will affect your plans for the future.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_