



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY SCHOLARSHIP

DUE MAY 5, 2023

Purpose: To encourage academic achievement among high school students by awarding a scholarship to a graduating senior who is a resident of Richton Park.

Eligibility: THESE GUIDELINES MUST BE MET BY ALL APPLICANTS:

- ❖ Be a resident of the Village of Richton Park and submit proof of residency
- ❖ Have a valid Richton Park Public Library card
- ❖ Be a graduating high school senior and submit copy of student ID
- ❖ Enroll in a post-secondary institution
- ❖ Submit sealed high school transcripts
- ❖ Submit a Short Essay or Resume

Scholarship

Grant: The amount of the award will be set annually and must be used for education related expenses.

Method of Selection:

Up to two (2) scholarships will be awarded. If the recipient does not attend a post-secondary institution, the scholarship will be forfeited and the award shall be made to an alternate. No monies will be awarded until proof of enrollment in a post-secondary institution is verified. The Scholarship Committee, consisting of three members of the Friends of the Richton Park Library, will determine selection of the recipient based on GPA, Class Standing, ACT or SAT score (*optional*), participation in extracurricular activities, and the submitted short essay or resume. The applicant with the highest committee ranking will be designated as the recipient and the next highest will be the alternate. In the event of a tie in ranking, the determination of the winner will be at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee.

General

Information: Applications will be distributed to area high schools in the spring of each year. Applications will also be available at Richton Park Public Library. **Applications must be received or postmarked by Friday, May 5th, 2023, 8:00pm.** Awards* will be determined by June. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered under any circumstances.

**By accepting the award, responsible parties agree that the names and photos of recipients can be used for scholarship publicity.*

Please return application in a sealed envelope addressed to:

**ATTN: Scholarship Committee
Friends of the Richton Park Public Library
22310 Latonia Lane
Richton Park, IL 60471**



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SECTION 1: TO BE FILLED OUT BY THE APPLICANT

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Email address: _____

Extracurricular Activities:

Employment Experiences:

Community/Volunteer Service:

Scholastic Honors/Awards:

PLEASE SUBMIT A SHORT ESSAY OR RESUME WITH APPLICATION

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SECTION 2: TO BE FILLED OUT BY HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELOR

Name of High School: _____

GPA: _____ Number of credits earned in non-core classes: _____

Ranking in graduating class: _____ out of _____

OPTIONAL: Score on ACT: _____ Score on SAT: _____

PLEASE SUBMIT SEALED OFFICIAL HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPTS

Counselor's Signature

Counselor's Name (Printed)

SECTION 3: SUBMISSION CHECKLIST

- ___ Proof of Residency (*in the form of a copy of your driver's license or state ID*)
- ___ Copy of School ID
- ___ Sealed High School Transcripts
- ___ Copy of Post-Secondary Institution Acceptance Letter
- ___ Short Essay or Resume
- ___ Friends of the Library Scholarship Application (Sections 1, 2, & 3)

All sections of the application need to be completed for consideration

Applicant's Signature