



Rotary Club of Aberdeen
P.O. Box 422
Aberdeen, MD 21001-0422
Club# 5852, Chartered June 1950

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2026

GENERAL INFORMATION

Open to anyone except Rotary members and their families. The Rotary Club of Aberdeen Scholarship Committee will determine the recipients after evaluating grade transcripts, essay on HOW I CAN MAKE MY COMMUNITY A BETTER PLACE (200 words or less), recommendations of faculty and others, financial need, attendance, and application information. Completed applications must be received by the deadline of April 1, 2026. Those applications received after the deadline will be excluded from consideration.

Each applicant's entry is evaluated and scored with points assessed for:

1. Grade Point Average,
2. Community Service Involvement,
3. Employment / Participation in Extracurricular School Activities,
4. 200 word essay (typed, double spaced),
5. Financial Need, *(held confidential)* and
6. Strength of the Recommendation Letters.

(NOTE: Criteria above are not necessarily in order of importance)

The scholarship recipients will be invited to the Rotary Club of Aberdeen Scholarship Luncheon Meeting in May 2026.

PLEASE NOTE: Be sure to read and follow the rules very carefully as presented in the following REQUIREMENTS and REGULATIONS. Applications that ignore the guidelines or submitted incomplete will be excluded from consideration.

REQUIREMENTS AND REGULATIONS

High School seniors from Aberdeen High School and the SMA are eligible. Applicants from other High Schools, but live in the Aberdeen High School sending district, are also eligible. Incoming first year college students are eligible if not currently a senior.

1. The essay of the scholarship applicant will become the property of the Rotary Club of Aberdeen and may be included in future Rotary publications and/or released for media publication.
2. The Rotary Club of Aberdeen must be provided with proof of admission from the school at which the scholarship is to be applied. Scholarship will be awarded in check form, payable to the designated school for the benefit of the recipient.
3. Financial Need of the applicant and the income of the applicant's family will be considered in the application evaluation as confidential information.
4. The scholarship amount will be announced and is for the purpose of education at Post Secondary schools. (College, undergraduate and graduate studies, Trade or Technical School, etc.)
5. The scholarship award decision of the judges is final.



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(PLEASE PRINT) - Complete in full and include all documentation as listed in REQUIREMENTS

INTENDED COLLEGE/TRADE SCHOOL: _____
MAJOR: _____

G.P.A. _____ **DATE:** _____

- 1. Name (print):** _____
- 2. Home Address:** _____ **City** _____ **ST** _____ **Zip** _____
- 3. Cell Phone** _____ **Alt phone** _____
EMAIL _____
- 4. Current Employer (Name, Address & Phone#)** _____

- 5. College Address** _____
- 6. High School** _____ **Graduation date** _____
(include copy of transcripts)
- 7. Combined Household income** _____
(Will remain confidential)
less than \$75,000 _____
\$75,000 to \$125,000 _____
More than \$125,000 _____
(initial next to appropriate amount)
- 8. On a separate sheet, please specify other scholarships & amount received.**
- 9. Provide specific information about your participation in community SERVICE activities, extracurricular school or work activities, awards and honors. Include specifics of time spent in these activities, and dates of honors and awards. If you are employed, specify type of work and duties or responsibilities.**

Printed Name of Applicant

Printed name of Nominating Teacher/Parent/Guardian

SIGNATURE of Scholarship Applicant
ORIGINAL

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