



WHITESIDE COUNTY REPUBLICANS

2020 Scholarship Criteria



Eligibility:

Scholarship applicant must be a U.S. Citizen, Whiteside County Resident, and registered voter of Whiteside County (17-year-olds can vote in a Consolidated Primary or General Primary if the individual will be 18 years of age by the time of the Consolidated or General Election). Additionally, the scholarship applicant must be currently a Whiteside County high school graduate who is planning to attend a 2 or 4-year college or trade school in the fall of 2020. Or, the applicant is currently attending a 2 or 4-year college or trade school located anywhere in the United States and will continue enrollment for the fall of 2020.

Scholarship Criteria:

The applicant is required to submit a packet including:

- A copy of the letter of acceptance for enrollment from an accredited college or trade school signed by an enrollment administrator; or if already attending a college/trade school, a copy of college transcript signed by a college administrator, **and**
- A copy of high school/college transcript on official school letterhead signed by their counselor/college administrator, **and**
- A 500-word essay with cover page as described below, **and**
- Scholarship application signed by their high school counselor or college advisor

Essay:

The purpose of the essay is for the applicant to identify an area of interest pertaining to economic, social, or welfare issues relating to Whiteside County. The scholarship applicant is to identify a specific area of concern and present their own solution. Since Whiteside County is largely vast in agricultural roots, the topic of our 2020 essay is: ***“If you were President of the United States of America, how would you secure agricultural fair trade with other countries?”*** All essays must be original, factually accurate, and free from plagiarism. Most importantly, the scholarship applicant’s 500-word essay must be MLA General Format; computer typed, double-spaced; use a 12-point font, on 8-1/2” x 11” unlined white bond paper in the English language. Handwritten essays will not be accepted.

Award Guidelines:

Two (2) \$1,000.00 scholarships will be awarded; (1) one \$1,000.00 scholarship will be awarded to a graduating high school senior and (1) one \$1,000.00 scholarship will be awarded to an attending college/trade school student. All entries will be reviewed by the Whiteside County Republicans Scholarship Committee and Whiteside County Republican Membership. The committee members will select the scholarship recipient based upon the thoroughness of the written essay; with an emphasis on grammar, clarity, and realistic solution to the topic of concern. The scholarships will be awarded in May 2020 and will be payable to the scholarship winner(s) school in August for the Fall 2020 school academic year.

Deadline:

All completed applications, documentation, and essays should be received by Monday, March 02, 2020, and sent to: Whiteside County Republicans – 2020 Scholarship, C/O Kristopher &/or Sarah Schmidt, 12773 Garden Plain Road, Morrison, IL 61270. Kindly submit questions to: kschmidt307@gmail.com.



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2020 Scholarship Application Form



Applicant Information			
Student Name:			
Address:			
City:		ZIP:	
Telephone Number:			
Email:			
Are you a U.S. Citizen?	Yes / No	Are you a resident of Whiteside County, IL?	Yes / No
Are you a registered voter?	Yes / No		
High School/College Information			
Name of School:			
Address:			
City:		ZIP:	
Telephone Number:			
Date of (expected) High School Graduation:			
College/Trade School attending:			
Expected/Declared Major:			
2 Year Institution:		or 4 Year Institution:	
Extracurricular Activities: (Organizations, Community Service, Music, Sports, etc.)			
Applicant Signature:		Date:	
Counselor/College Advisor Signature:		Date:	