



Scholarship Application

2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR

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Little Elm Friends of the Library

Scholarship Application Checklist

All applications must be received by Little Elm Friends of the Library Scholarship Committee by March 23, 2020.

Your application package should include all of the following:

- Application form completed as instructed
- Applicant Information Sheet (see part I, page 3)
- Questionnaire Sheet (see part II, p.4)
- Two essay questions answered on a separate piece of paper (see part II, p.4)
- Participation and Leadership Sheet (see part III, page 5)
- Counselor's Information Sheet in a sealed envelope, with applicant's name and the words "*Counselor Reference*" on the front of the envelope. The name section should be filled in by applicant before giving to the counselor. (see part IV, page 6)
- Two school references in separate, sealed envelopes, with the words "School Reference" and the applicants name on the front of envelopes. The name and school section should be filled in by student before giving to references. (see part VI, page 8)
- One personal reference in a sealed envelope with the words "*Personal Reference*" and the applicants name on the front of the envelope. Applicant should fill out the name and school sections before giving to reference. (see part VI, page 8)

This application will not be processed unless all instructions have been followed, and all scholarship requirements have been met.

Submit the complete application package to:
Friends of the Library
Attention: Scholarship Board

Friends of the Library Scholarship Program 2019 - 2020 Scholarship Announcement

This program is established by the Little Elm Friends of the Library (FOL), an independent non-profit organization dedicated to the support of the Little Elm Public Library and the community of Little Elm. The FOL's purpose in offering this scholarship is to identify and honor outstanding High School Seniors. All aspects and administration of the scholarship are provided by the FOL.

How does a student qualify for the FOL Scholarship?

Any Senior student may qualify and enter competition for the FOL scholarship by meeting the following requirements:

- 1) A candidate must be a student in a public school, charter school, trade school or home school in the Little Elm area during the 2019-2020 school year.
- 2) A student must complete a minimum of 20 hours of documented community service. A minimum of 15 hours must be with the Little Elm Public Library or special FOL events. The remaining hours can be with the Little Elm Library or any other Little Elm non-profit organization. All volunteer hours must be completed between August 14, 2019 and March 23, 2020.
- 3) A student must be in good standing with the school.

How are the FOL scholarship awards determined?

The recipients of the FOL scholarships shall be selected from a group of qualifying Seniors that have met or exceeded the requirements of the program. The Scholarship winners will be chosen on a competitive basis and without regard to family financial circumstances, gender, race, ethnic origin, or religious preference. A committee of the FOL will choose the winners by evaluation of activities and contributions to the school and community, academic record, and library staff's recommendations. Selected applicants will be invited to attend an interview with the Scholarship Committee. The winners will be notified prior to any public announcement by the FOL in May of 2020.

What is the amount of the FOL scholarship award?

There are three scholarships each in the amount of \$1500.00 which can go toward tuition, books or other college financial requirements. All portions of the competition, including the selection of the winners and payment of scholarship award are handled by the Little Elm Friends of the Library. Funds will be in the form of a check payable to the accredited college of the student's choice.

Questions may be addressed to:

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Application for Little Elm Friends of the Library Scholarship

Please type or print clearly in black ink (to be completed by applicant)

Part 1 (Applicant Information)

Name: _____
 Last First Middle

Home Address:

Contact Phone: _____ e-mail address: _____

Choice of College/University (circle status)

- | | | | |
|----------|----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1. _____ | <u>applied</u> | <u>accepted</u> | <u>not applied</u> |
| 2. _____ | <u>applied</u> | <u>accepted</u> | <u>not applied</u> |
| 3. _____ | <u>applied</u> | <u>accepted</u> | <u>not applied</u> |

Anticipated Major: _____ Minor: _____

Anticipated graduation date: _____

Community Service Hours

Hours worked in the library: _____ (*must be at least 15 hours*)

Name of other Little Elm non-profit/volunteer hours if library hours are under 20 hours:

Hours worked at special Friends of Library events: _____

Hours worked at Little Elm non-profit other than library: _____

Little Elm non-profit reference for other hours worked:

- 1) Name: _____ Contact Phone: _____
- 2) Name: _____ Contact Phone: _____

Part II (Questionnaire Sheet)

Applicant Name:

(About you and your thoughts)

A. If you have been employed (childcare, restaurants, merchant stores, etc.) during high school, briefly describe your work experience.

B. As of March, 2020 have you been awarded any scholarships? If so, please list source and award.

C. On a separate piece of paper, in essay form, answer **two** of the questions below:

- 1) Briefly, what would it mean to you if you were the recipient of this scholarship?
- 2) What are your career goals?
- 3) Share with us a charitable project you've worked on in the community that has impacted your life.
- 4) Tell us about someone who has influenced your life, and how.

Part III (Participation and Leadership Sheet)

Applicant Name: _____

A. School Activities, Organizations, Awards (include dates)

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____
- 6. _____

B. Community Activities, Organizations, Awards, Offices Held, Honors (include dates)

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____
- 6. _____

C. Describe any other honors, awards, organizations and applicable dates

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____
- 6. _____

Part IV (Counselor's Information Sheet)

Applicant Name: _____

To be completed by school counselor (upon review of the completed application).

Please place this page in a sealed envelope. Mark the envelope with: "Counselor Reference" and the name of the applicant.

Name of Applicant: _____

Rank in Class: _____ Grade Point Average: _____

SAT Score: _____ ACT Score: _____

Counselor Comments:

Counselor Printed Name

Date

Counselor Signature

Part V (List of References Sheet)

Applicant Name: _____

Please submit two references from your school, plus one personal reference. All reference letters should be in a sealed envelope. Mark the envelopes with: school reference or personal reference along with the applicant's name.

The Scholarship Board has provided you with a blank Reference Form (please make two additional copies) to hand carry to your references.

Once completed, please collect them and return the completed Reference Form back to the Scholarship Board of the Little Elm Friends of the Library by submission date of March 23, 2020.

Counselors, teachers, or high school campus administrators:

Name: _____

Position: _____

Address: _____

Phone No: _____

Name: _____

Position: _____

Address: _____

Phone No: _____

Personal Reference:

Name: _____

Relationship to applicant: _____

Address: _____

Phone No: _____

Part VI (Reference Sheet)

Applicant Name: _____ School: _____

Reference Name: _____ Job Title: _____

Reference school/organization: _____

Instructions: Please rank the candidate with 1 as the lowest rating, 5 as the highest. Please include a personal comment.

PERSONAL

I feel I know the candidate well enough to compare with peers. 1 2 3 4 5

The candidate is committed to personal enrichment through learning. 1 2 3 4 5

Please provide explanation/comments:

EDUCATIONAL/CAREER

The candidate handles challenges appropriately. 1 2 3 4 5

The candidate utilizes available resources in order to meet challenges. 1 2 3 4 5

The candidate has organizational skills required to succeed at the college/university level. 1 2 3 4 5

Please provide explanation/comments:

LEADERSHIP

The candidate takes on responsibilities and inspires others to work in a positive manner. 1 2 3 4 5

The candidate is committed to successfully completing long-term commitments. 1 2 3 4 5

The candidate has a positive and enthusiastic attitude. 1 2 3 4 5

The candidate is responsible and acts as a good role model. 1 2 3 4 5

Please provide explanation/comments:

Please return this form to:
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