

# ROTARY CLUB OF EAST WICHITA FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS

## 2011 Application Guidelines

1. **Grant of Scholarships.** The scholarship grants are provided by the Rotary Club of East Wichita Foundation for help in defraying the cost of tuition, books, fees or room and board at the education institution attended by the scholarship recipient. At least three scholarships of \$1,000 each will be granted for the 2011-2012 school year. The scholarships will be payable in two installments – \$500 at the beginning of the Fall, 2011, semester and \$500 at the beginning of the Spring, 2012, semester. Payment of the second installment will be contingent upon the satisfactory completion of the first semester.

A special scholarship, the George Fahnestock Memorial Scholarship, in the amount of \$2000 (payable \$1000 each semester) may be granted to a deserving student who will be attending Wichita State University. Students attending other universities will not be eligible for the George Fahnestock Scholarship. Qualifications for this scholarship are the same as for the others.

The scholarship application and a copy of these guidelines can be obtained at [www.eastwichitarotary.org](http://www.eastwichitarotary.org).

2. **Eligibility.** The applicant must be a May, 2011, graduate of a high school located in Sedgwick County, Kansas, who will enroll on a full-time basis in the Fall of 2011 at a public or private community college, college or university located in Kansas. **Applicants must have a cumulative high school GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.**

3. **Criteria for Selection.** Primary criteria used to select the scholarship recipients include need for assistance; academic achievement; reference letters; written expression; and school and community activities. Extracurricular activities and after school employment will also be considered in evaluating the applications.

4. **Reference Letters.** Two (2) sealed letters of reference are required. One letter must be from a school official familiar with applicant's academic abilities and school activities; the other letter may come from a person of applicant's choice. Each letter must contain the name and address of its author. The letters should contain a statement by the authors as to how long they have known applicant and in what capacity and a general statement as to the applicant's motivation, initiative, dependability, ability to communicate and other characteristics the author believes indicate a successful completion of the applicant's educational goals. Each page of the reference letter should contain the applicant's name.

5. **Transcript.** The applicant's high school counselor must make available a copy of the applicant's transcript. If not included with the application, it must be directed to the address below.

6. **Payment of Scholarship.** The Foundation will remit the scholarship funds directly to the institution indicated by the recipient for credit to the applicant's account. Failure of the scholarship recipient to complete the Fall, 2011, semester as a full-time student in good standing with a minimum GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale will result in a forfeiture of the second \$500 installment for the Spring, 2012, semester.

7. **Renewal of Scholarship.** At the end of each school year, the Rotary Club of East Wichita Foundation Board reserves the right to renew its scholarships for the following year. In order to qualify for consideration of renewal, students must have a 3.0 cumulative average and provide grades and proof of enrollment to the Scholarship Chair. Students will be notified in advance to provide the information.

8. **Deadline; Instructions.** **THE DEADLINE FOR ACTUAL RECEIPT OF COMPLETED APPLICATIONS, INCLUDING TRANSCRIPT AND REFERENCE LETTERS IS PRIOR TO 5:00 P.M. ON FRIDAY, MAY 6, 2011.** Letters postmarked on May 6, 2011, will NOT be accepted. The downloaded application must be typed or printed using black ink. Do not send folders, binders or photographs with the application. Retain a copy of the completed application for your files as the submitted application will not be returned. Successful applicants will be notified of the award of their scholarships prior to June 30, 2011. Please contact Karen Norton at 316-683-1104 with any questions.

### DOCUMENTATION CHECK-OFF:

- Application
- Transcript
- Reference Letter #1
- Reference Letter #2

### SUBMIT APPLICATION AND RELATED DOCUMENTS TO:

Rotary Club of East Wichita Foundation  
Scholarship Grant  
7531 E. 26<sup>th</sup> Ct.  
Wichita, KS 67226