

Livingston Parish Chamber of Commerce

Academic Scholarship Application

Students:

Thank you for your interest in the Livingston Parish Chamber of Commerce's scholarship program, funded and administered through the generosity and investment of chamber member businesses. Chamber scholarships are available to **graduating seniors** who attend schools in **Livingston Parish**. Scholarship are **\$500** each.

For proper application completion, please download this fillable form which allows you to complete the process at your convenience and make changes before finalizing for submission.

*****APPLICATION AND ESSAY MUST BE TYPED TO QUALIFY FOR AWARDS.*****

To qualify for scoring, applicants must submit **FOUR complete packets with the following items in each packet:**

- ☐ The completed application with all fields filled.
- ☐ An official copy of your transcript signed by your counselor.
- ☐ A completed essay as noted on the application : 300 - 500 words.
- ☐ **TWO** letters of recommendation. (note: you must have two letters of recommendation)

To assure accuracy, we recommend that you review your packet with your counselor. Completed application packets can be submitted in the following manner by **March 6, 2018**. Either:

- In person, individual delivery to the chamber office no later than 4:00 p.m. March 6, 2018
- Bulk in person delivery through your guidance counselor at each counselors discretion.
- Via parcel post - post marked by **March 6, 2018**

March 6, 2018 – Applications and supporting documents due no later than 4:00 p.m.

March 23, 2018 – Awarded students & counselors notified

April 9, 2018 – RSVP due for April 11th event

April 11, 2018 – Scholarship Presentation Breakfast with awarded students, guests & sponsors

Dec. 31, 2018 – Deadline to provide acceptance letter from an approved institution and other final documents before funds are released.

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Office Hours:
Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Friday 9 a.m. to Noon

Applicant Information

Application **must be typed** and all fields completed. Only completed applications will qualify for scoring.

Last Name	
First Name	
Middle Initial	
Street Address	
City, State	
Zip Code	
Phone / Cell	
E-Mail Address	

Education Information

High School	
Graduation Date	
GPA	
Composite ACT	
Class Rank	

Introductory Question

Briefly describe your understanding of the Livingston Parish Chamber of Commerce and the Chamber's role in Livingston Parish and the community.

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LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Please provide **TWO LETTERS** of recommendation on behalf of your application for this award. Letters may be written by a teacher, guidance counselor, principal, coach, mentor, employer, preacher, minister or other adult who testifies on behalf of your personal character, scholastic performance and / or work ethic. Letters should include characteristics that are the applicants greatest attribute and the applicants potential for future achievement.

SCHOLASTIC

- I. List all honors or advanced placement (AP) programs you are currently enrolled in or have completed. If more space is needed, please list on a separate sheet of paper.

- II. Please provide a list of academic competitions you have participated in here. If more space is needed, please list on a separate sheet of paper.

INVOLVEMENT IN SCHOOL / EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- I. **School / Extra Curricular Involvement:** Please list and describe your participation in any school organizations, clubs, sports activities. Please note the length of time you participated in these activities. If more space is needed, please list on a separate sheet of paper.

- II. **School / Extra Curricular Leadership Roles:** Please list any **leadership roles** held in the above activities and the duties required in these roles. If more space is needed, please list on a separate sheet of paper. (examples—president, officer, treasurer, chairperson, instructor, event leader, etc.)

SERVICE TO YOUR COMMUNITY

- I. **Community Involvement:** Please list your membership, participation and any volunteer community services you are actively involved in or have participated in for your community outside of school. Also, list the length of time you have been involved with these programs. If more space is needed, list on a separate sheet of paper.

- I. **Community Leadership Roles:** Describe any positions of **leadership responsibilities** you have held with the above organizations or activities. Also, list the length of time you held these positions. If more space is needed, list on a separate sheet of paper. (examples—president, officer, treasurer, chairperson, instructor, event leader, etc.)

ESSAY SECTION

Please choose one of the following essay topics. The essay must be **TYPED, DOUBLE SPACED**, 300 – 500 words and submitted on 8½ by 11 paper. Title each essay as follows:

Essay Section ~ Topic 1

Essay Section ~ Topic 2

Essay Section ~ Topic 3

Essay Section ~ Topic 4

Topic 1 – BUSINESS VENTURE - Imagine that you have the backing of deep-pocketed investors. They love your idea for the business that you plan to open in Livingston Parish. Discuss your idea. Be sure to include how you expect it to affect the community.

Topic 2 – ROLE MODEL - Choose one or more of your greatest roles models for influences to discuss. How did they come into your life? What is it about them that inspires you? Be sure to discuss their aspects or qualities that you most admire.

Topic 3 – YOU & THE PRESIDENT - You have 1 hour alone with the President of the United States. He has agreed to hear what you have to say about the issue most important to you and has promised to strongly consider following your advice. What issue will you discuss? What solutions to the issue or problem would you provide?

Topic 4 – THE FUTURE - Where do you see yourself in 5 years? How about 10? Discuss your plans for college, your chosen major and any other activities you are looking forward to participating in. What type of career are you interested in? Why is that career right for you? How will it make you happy?

SIGNATURE REQUIRED

Your signature and your parent/ legal guardian are required **in each of the two sections** below. Please read before signing.

1. I attest by my signature, that the information included in this application is truthful, correct and my own work. Winners and guest(s) will be invited to attend a special Chamber meeting for public presentation of my scholarship.

Applicant's Signature: _____

Applicant's Name Printed: _____

Date: _____

Incomplete or unsigned applications will not be considered for this scholarship.

2. Publicity Authority -If selected, the Chamber reserves the right to use my name, photo and likeness for appearances for television commercials, radio and newspaper used specifically for the promotion for the Chamber and its Education & Careers Initiatives.

Applicant's Signature: _____

Applicant's Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____

Date: _____

Please note: Funds awarded are subject to IRS compliance and regulations.