

HOW TO APPLY

Complete application, include:

1. Cover page
2. Essay questions — No name or identifying information on these pages
3. Proper signatures
4. Best Phone Number to reach you
5. Email address

Submit to:

Austin Area Chamber of Commerce
329 N. Main St., Ste. 102
Austin, MN 55912-0864

By:

3:30 p.m., December 13, 2019,
in the chamber office
329 N. Main St.
(not postmarked)

8th Grade Scholarships

1st Place—\$500.00

2nd Place — \$375.00

3rd Place — \$250.00 (2 Awards)

4th Place — \$200.00 (2 Awards)



DEADLINES

8th Grade

All applications received by the December 13th deadline will be reviewed and 12 semi-finalists will be selected.

All semi-finalists will be interviewed by our selection committee at the chamber office. Six finalists will be chosen, and each will give an informative speech on a topic of their choice to the selection committee. Additional information will be provided in advance.

Each participant must complete all phases of the application and selection process in order to be awarded an ACCESS Scholarship. No exceptions.

Important Dates

Fri., Dec. 13—Applications due by 3:30 p.m.

Mon., Jan. 20—Interviews, 3:30-6:30 p.m.

Mon., Feb. 10—Informative speeches, 3:30-5:30 p.m.

Sun., March 8—Banquet 5 p.m. at the Hormel Historic Home. Family members are encouraged to attend.

ACCESS Scholarship 8th Grade



2019-2020

Austin Area Chamber of Commerce
Education Student Scholarship

The Chamber
AUSTIN AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



Austin Area Chamber of Commerce Business Education Committee

Access Scholarship

All scholarships will be distributed on the day of the awards banquet.

This application and accompanying supporting documents become the property of the Business Education Committee.

This scholarship is available to all Austin public, private and home-schooled 8th graders, regardless of race, color, creed, religion, sex, national origin, age, marital status, status with regards to public assistance, disability or handicap.

This scholarship is not based on financial need.

Please contact the Austin Area Chamber of Commerce at 437-4561 with any questions.

ACCESS SCHOLARSHIP

INSTRUCTIONS

Writing your application

Applications are judged on overall content, grammar, punctuation and spelling, expanse on topic, examples that justify point, originality, research base, neatness, layout and flow.

Your entire application, including your responses to the 3 essay questions, must be typed and limited to no more than four (4) 8-1/2 x 11 pages, one side only. Copy on each sheet should be double-spaced in a 12-point font and include one-inch margins.

Submitting your application

Provide one copy of your cover page and four copies of the essay portion of the application. Bind your application together with a paper clip.

Applications must be in the Chamber office, 329 N. Main St. (not postmarked), by 3:30 p.m. on December 13, 2019.

COVER SHEET

The first sheet is your cover page and must contain only the following:

- Name, grade, address, phone number, student signature with date, parents' or guardians' names, and your best email address.
- Anticipated course of study or career interest after high school.

ESSAYS

Do not put your name or any identifying information on these pages. Answer the following three essay questions:

1. PERSONAL: "Sparks" refers to the intrinsic interests, talents, and passions you have that motivate you to learn, grow, and contribute. Describe what your spark is and why.
2. EDUCATION: What famous quote describes what you hope to achieve in your future educational experiences and why?
3. COMMUNITY: If you were to create a motto for Austin, what would it be and why?