

Friends of the Library Scholarship Program

2014 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 and its citizens. The FOL's purpose in offering this scholarship is to identify and honor outstanding high school Juniors and Seniors. All aspects and administration of the scholarship is provided by the FOL.

How does a student qualify for the FOL Scholarship?

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

- A candidate must be a student in a public school, charter school, trade school or home school in the Little Elm area during the 2013-2014 school year.
- A student must complete a minimum of 20 hours of documented community service of which at least 15 are service for the Little Elm Public Library, including assisting at special FOL events, i.e., the annual Trivia Night fundraiser scheduled for Tuesday, February 25, 2014. The remaining hours can be served in the Little Elm Library or with another Little Elm non profit organization. All volunteer hours must be completed between September 1st, 2013 and April 12, 2014.
- A student must be in good standing with the school and continue to establish good grades within that institution.

How is the FOL scholarship award determined?

The determination of the recipient of the FOL scholarship shall be selected from a group of qualifying Juniors and Seniors that have met or exceeded the requirements of the program as recommended by the Little Elm Public Library staff. 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 winner by evaluation of factors of each candidate including significant activities and contributions to the school and community, academic record, and library staff's recommendations about the candidate. The Winner will be notified prior to any public announcement by the FOL in May of 2014.

What is the amount of the FOL scholarship award?

The top outstanding student will each receive an award of \$1,000 toward tuition, books or other college financial requirements. All portions of the competition, including the selection of a winner 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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Little Elm Friends of the Library Scholarship Application
Application for Friends of the Library Scholarship

Please type or print clearly in black ink.

Part 1 (to be completed by the student). Please attach a photo.

Name: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Home Address: _____
(Street)

(City) (Zip Code)

Home Phone: _____ e-mail address: _____

Choice of College/University (please circle status)

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|----|-------|---------|----------|-------------|
| 1. | _____ | applied | accepted | not applied |
| 2. | _____ | applied | accepted | not applied |
| 3. | _____ | applied | accepted | not applied |

Anticipated Major: _____ Minor: _____

Applicant Name: _____

Part II (About you and your thoughts)

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

B. As of March, 2014 have you been awarded any scholarships? If so, please list source and award amount.

C. On a separate piece of paper, answer two of the questions below:

1. Briefly, what would this scholarship mean to you (unusual family situations, other tuitions, medical expenses, etc.)?
2. What are your personal career goals?
3. Describe any obstacles/challenges you have addressed during your high school career.
4. What student, teacher, or academic experience has had the most impact on you and why?

Applicant Name: _____

Part III (Participation and Leadership)

A.	<u>School Activities/Organizations/Awards</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Honors/Awards</u>
1.	_____		
2.	_____		
3.	_____		
4.	_____		

B.	<u>Community Activities/Organizations/Awards</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Office(s) Held or Honors</u>
1.	_____		
2.	_____		
3.	_____		
4.	_____		

C.	<u>Describe any honors not previously listed</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Office(s) Held or Honors</u>
1.	_____		
2.	_____		
3.	_____		
4.	_____		

Applicant Name: _____

Part IV

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

Name of Applicant: _____

Rank in Class: _____

Grade Point Average: _____

SAT Score: _____

ACT Score: _____

Counselor Comments:

Counselor Signature

Date

Applicant Name: _____

Part V (References)

Please submit two references from your school and one personal reference. The Scholarship Board has provided you with a blank Reference Form (please make two additional copies) to hand carry to your references. Those individuals will return the completed Reference Form back to the Scholarship Board of the Little Elm Friends of the Library by submission date of April 12, 2014.

Counselors, teachers, or high school campus administrators:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone No: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone No: _____

Personal Reference:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone No: _____

CONFIDENTIAL REFERENCE

Instruction to Candidates:

Complete the top line of the reference forms (Candidate's Name and School) before distributing the reference forms. Please contact your references as soon as possible to provide ample time for them to meet submission deadline. All references are confidential and should be mailed or delivered directly to Friends of the Library Scholarship Committee before April 12, 2014.