



NILES CHAMBER of COMMERCE
DOLLARS for SCHOLARS

The Niles Chamber of Commerce & Industry is pleased to announce its 2010 High School scholarship program.

Four \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to graduating eighth grade students. You must be a Niles resident or be an employee or a son/daughter of an employee of a Niles Chamber member to participate. A presentation of the 2010 scholarships will be made at the Niles Chamber Seventh Annual Niles Night of Roses – A Tribute to Home Grown Success Dinner on Saturday, April 24, 2010. All scholarship recipients will receive a complimentary dinner and families are encouraged to attend.

The applications are judged on their Service to Community and School, Response to the Essay, Awards and Honors, 7th and 8th Grade Report Cards (GPA, Honors), and Letters of Recommendation. The student should emphasize their areas of strength, as the committee will equally consider all candidates.

ELIGIBILITY

1. The applicant must be a graduating eighth grade student.
2. Applications must be in the Niles Chamber of Commerce office NO LATER than Friday, February 26, 2010 by 4:30 p.m. NO EXCEPTIONS.
3. The applicant must reside in the 60714 zip code or be an employee or the son/daughter of an employee of a Niles Chamber member. (Note: Only one award will be given per family.)
4. All applications MUST INCLUDE a legible copy of a transcript of credits, which includes the grade point average, along with two letters of recommendation. One letter should be on school stationery written by a school official and the other should be from a non-family member. Both letters should provide a comprehensive insight into the applicant. Plus, the student should include a resume or list of extra-curricular and community service activities.
5. The application may be typed or printed legibly, but the essay must be typed.
6. Failure to include all required data in the format requested will result in disqualification.

Additional applications are available by contacting the Niles Chamber of Commerce and Industry (847) 268-8180 or can be downloaded from our website www.nileschamber.com. Please return completed application to:

Niles Chamber of Commerce & Industry
Attn: Scholarship Committee
8060 West Oakton Street, Suite 101
Niles, Illinois 60714

If you are delivering the application, the chamber office is located inside the NorthSide Community Bank.

High School Scholarship Application

Please make sure your application has the following:

- Completed application including signature; may be typed or hand written
- Transcript of credits/Report Cards that includes your grade point average
- Two letters of recommendation, one on school letterhead
- Resume/List of extra curricular and community service
- Essay (typed)

The above must be completed and received by the Niles Chamber of Commerce office no later than Friday, February 26, 2010 by 4:30 p.m. **NO EXCEPTIONS!** Failure to include all required data in the format requested will result in disqualification!

Name of Applicant: _____ Phone: _____

Parent(s) Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Sex: _____

Email: _____

School Currently Attending: _____

High School Attending in the Fall: _____

Are you a son/daughter of a Chamber member? Yes / No

What is the company? _____

Response to the following question must be typed and shall not exceed 500 words:

Given the recent attention regarding student's exposure to violence and the critical condition the Chicagoland area is in, what advice would you give to the Secretary of Education on how to address the youth violence in schools and on the streets?

All information on this application will be kept confidential. I understand that this scholarship is non-renewable and applies only to educational expenses incurred in the academic year 2010-11.

I certify that the academic and personal information submitted on this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and that this application meets all eligibility requirements as outlined herein.

X _____
Signature of Applicant Date