

# **Knights of Columbus**

## **Scholarship Award Scoring Guidelines**

March 12, 2020

### **General**

- Scholarships are awarded to deserving male or female candidates based upon their SAT/ACT Test Scores, participation in extracurricular activities and financial need. The scoring system used by the judges attempts to identify well rounded individuals.
- Scholarships are awarded by members of the Knights of Columbus scholarship committee. There are at least 3 judges on the scholarship committee and only the committee chairman knows the identity of the person on each application form.
- Scores are assigned to 9 areas on each scholarship application. These are listed below in no specific order:
  - Academic achievement
  - Honors and academic awards
  - Work experience
  - Community service
  - Leadership roles
  - Participation in extracurricular activities
  - Participation in parish activities
  - Financial need
  - Written Essay
- To promote impartiality, members of the scholarship committee evaluate application forms which are uniquely numbered but do not show the name of the applicant. The names of the scholarship applicants are advised only after the winning candidates have been selected.
- Any questions concerning this application form should be addressed to Ed Hoepfner, Scholarship Committee Chairman, at 210-247-8543.

### **Scholarship Application Form Due Date**

Completed scholarship application forms must be submitted by Close of Business on the Due date shown on the application. For 2020, the completed forms must be submitted **NO LATER THAN 5:00 pm on Friday, April 10.**

Hard copies of the completed application form must be returned to the receptionist in the St. Peters Catholic Church parish office.

Online submission of scholarship application forms is not currently permitted since e-mails containing the completed scholarship application form may be lost in the ethernet or the delivery may be delayed beyond the due date and time.

### **Scoring the Application Forms**

- A maximum of 800 points can be awarded to each applicant.
- As discussed in Section A above, scores are assigned to 9 different areas. The 9 different areas in the evaluation carry different weights, emphasizing the importance assigned to that area. For example, community service is weighted more heavily than work experience. The goal is to select a well-rounded individual.

- Judges assign points to each of the areas shown below for each applicant.
  - Academic achievement (maximum 250 points)
  - Honors and academic awards (maximum 100 points)
  - Work experience (maximum 50 points)
  - Community service (maximum 100 points)
  - Leadership roles (maximum 75 points)
  - Participation in extracurricular activities (maximum 50 points)
  - Participation in parish activities (maximum 50 points)
  - Financial need (maximum 50 points)
  - Written Essay (maximum 75 points)
- It is expected that each applicant will provide all of the information required to properly evaluate and score the application. The applicant will not normally be contacted if information is missing on the application form.
- If required information is not provided, a score of 0 will be assigned to the section with the missing information. For example, if you do not provide information about leadership positions you have held, the judge must award you a score of “0” for that area.
- Winning applicants are selected based upon the total scores for each candidate without regards to other scholarships awarded to the applicant by other parish organizations.

### **General Instructions for Completing this Application**

- Make sure that you provide the information required to assign a score for the 9 areas. Provide details and do not be vague!!
- If you cannot fit all of the information in the boxes on the application form, include the information in a separate page(s) and attach it to the form.
- *Please double check your application form before submitting it.*

***Good luck!!!***

**St. Peters, Boerne Knights of Columbus**  
**2020 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

**GUIDELINES:** Pages one and two of the application should be completed in blue or black ink and the personal narrative and essay question sections must be typed, double-spaced. ALL BLANKS ON PAGE ONE MUST BE FILLED IN. APPLICATIONS WITH MISSING INFORMATION WILL BE REJECTED. Return the completed application packet to the St Peters church office NO LATER THAN **Friday, April the 10th, 2020 by 5:00 pm**. Late applications WILL NOT be accepted (NO EXCEPTIONS).

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**Section 1: General Information**

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Sex:  Male  Female

With whom do you live?  Father  Mother  Step-father  Step-mother  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Parent status:  Married  Separated  Divorced  One or more parent deceased

What college, university or trade school do you plan to attend?

1<sup>st</sup> choice \_\_\_\_\_  
Name City, State

2<sup>nd</sup> choice \_\_\_\_\_  
Name City, State

Major Field of study: 1<sup>st</sup> choice \_\_\_\_\_

2<sup>nd</sup> choice \_\_\_\_\_

Have you applied for admission at the college, trade school or university?  Yes  No

Describe your career goal: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you received other scholarships?  Yes  No If yes, provide names and amounts:

\_\_\_\_\_

**Section 2: Parent Information Section**

Parent or Guardian's First & Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of dependent children in family (including applicant): \_\_\_\_\_ Ages: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of family members who will be in college next year (including applicant): \_\_\_\_\_

**Section 3: Academic Achievement (*Maximum of 250 points*)**

Please provide your grade point average (GPA) in high school as well as your SAT and/or ACT score below. If you took both the SAT or ACT test, please provide the score for both tests. If you took either test more than once, please show only the highest score achieved on each test.

SAT scores: Math \_\_\_\_\_ Verbal \_\_\_\_\_ Composite \_\_\_\_\_

ACT score: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ (out of how many e.g. 4.0? \_\_\_\_\_)

**Section 4: Honors and Academic Awards (*Maximum 100 points*)**

Please list in the space below any honors or academic awards you received while in high school. Include any honors or awards you received while participating in organizations at school as well as organizations outside of school.

**Section 5: Work Experience (*Maximum of 50 points*)**

If you worked outside of the home during any of your high school years, please identify where you worked, how many hours you typically worked each week and your job title.

Freshman Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Sophomore Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Junior Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Senior Year: \_\_\_\_\_

**Section 6: Community Service (Except Church) (*Maximum of 100 points*)**

In the space below please describe any community service you performed in your community. This includes any activities where you volunteered your time without payment. Typical examples include volunteering time to feed the homeless, tutoring other students, being a camp counselor, teaching a skill to other people, helping out at a charity event, working in Habitat for Humanity, working at a car wash and donating the money to charity etc. Be creative!! Please estimate the number of hours you spent each year performing community service.

Do not include volunteer activities you performed at the church – you will fill that information in Section 9.

Freshman Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Sophomore Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Junior Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Senior Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Section 7: Leadership (*Maximum 75 points*)**

Please list any activities where you demonstrated leadership skills. For example, include any offices you held in organizations or activities you participated in. You may include here any leadership positions you held in church organizations e.g. Life Teen.

**Section 8: Extracurricular Activities (Except Church) (*Maximum of 50 points*)**

Please list any extracurricular activities you participated in during high school. This includes clubs, school bands, athletics, scouts and student government. Do not include extracurricular activities you performed at the church – that information is asked in Section 9.

Freshman Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Sophomore Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Junior Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Senior Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Section 9: Parish Participation (Maximum of 50 points)**

Please list any activities you participated in within your parish, e.g Life Teen. Please also list where you volunteered your time assisting in parish activities (e.g. working at the church festival, participating in a retreat, etc.)

Please include an estimate of the number of hours spent participating in parish activities.

Freshman Year: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Sophomore Year: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Junior Year: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Senior Year: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Section 10: Financial Need (Maximum 50 points)**

In the space below, please explain why you need financial assistance. Use extra pages if necessary.

## **Section 11: Essay (Maximum 75 points)**

Please answer one of the following questions. Your 250-350 word response should be typed and double-spaced. Put your Name at the top of each page.

1. How do you hope to change the world?
2. Looking back over your high school years, what are you most proud of?

# St. Peters Knights of Columbus

## 2020 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Dear Student and Parent/Guardian,

The Knights of Columbus will be awarding a scholarship(s) for the continuation of graduating St. Peter's High School Students education. Additionally, a Knight from Council 10940, in good standing, may sponsor a Catholic student that belongs to a parish that does not have a K of C council. The award(s) will be made at the May 2020 graduation mass. Scholarships will be based on various criteria such as service and involvement in parish, service to the community, high school GPA, financial need, and extracurricular activities.

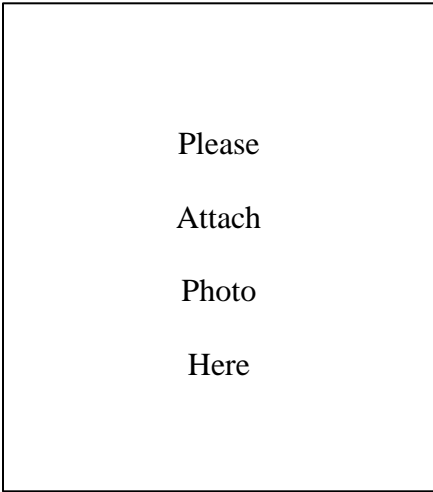
In order to be considered for these scholarships, this year's seniors must complete the attached application form. The application must be completed in either black or blue ink and the essay must be legible. All questions on the application must be answered. Please take time to carefully include all the requested information.

Please include a billfold/wallet sized photo with your application in the box below. The applicant's name and photo will only be provided to the Scholarship Committee Chairman.

Best of luck to all students.

Sincerely,

Tony Skwara  
Grand Knight  
Knights of Columbus  
Council 10940



\_\_\_\_\_  
**Student Name**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Student Signature**                      **Date**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Parent Name Printed**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Parent/Guardian Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**If Sponsored, Knights Name**

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**Knight Signature**

(SIGNATURES ARE MANDATORY)