## 2024 Broomall Rotary Club Community Service Scholarship Application

The Broomall Rotary Club is offering several community service scholarships in the amount of two thousand dollars $(\$ 2,000.00)$ each, to graduating seniors from a local high school (or home school) who reside in Marple Township. The following criteria will apply:

1. The applicant MUST reside in Marple Township. PLEASE CHECK ATTACHED MAP.
2. The applicant must be entering a program leading to advanced education and must be accepted by an accredited school (college, university, community college, or trade school).
3. The applicant must show need for financial aid.
4. The applicant must attach the following to the application:
a. An explanation as to why you should be considered for a scholarship award.
b. A description of financial need. Please explain need, while maintaining you and your family's privacy. Please do not provide tax returns.
c. A list of community service activities. Please describe service projects and activities in detail. Our committee members may not be familiar with specific service projects and may not know what the project entails.
d. A list of school activities, outside school activities, hobbies.
5. The applicant must provide no less than two (2) written references from faculty members. Home schooled students may supply a character reference, if a second faculty reference is not available.
6. The applicant must provide the student's final transcript, which should include current GPA and class ranking (if available).
7. The applicant must designate whether he/she is applying to be considered for the Broomall Rotary Scholarship, Interact Scholarship, or both. The applicant must have participated in a recognized/chartered Rotary Interact Club at a participating high school to be considered for the Interact scholarship. There are checkboxes on the application. If you are applying for both the regular scholarship and the Interact Scholarship, the applicant does not need to submit two applications. Only one scholarship will be awarded per successful applicant. Please reference you Interact activities.
8. The applicant must return a completed application and accompanying documentation to their school counseling office before the closing of school on Friday, April 19, 2024.

After your application has been received (after April 8, 2024), the committee may invite you to an interview. The committee will consider all aspects of your application during the selection process. Please be verbose in your explanation of why you feel you deserve the Scholarship. The awarded check will be drawn to the individual.

On behalf of the Broomall Rotary Club, the scholarship committee wishes to thank you for taking the time and effort to complete this application.

Please return your application to the school counseling office by April 19, 2024.
All applications must be received by the Rotary Club of Broomall no later than April 26, 2024.

Please direct all questions to Seth Rosenberg @ BroomallRotary@gmail.com or 610.356.4054

The Rotary Club of Broomall provides the following information as a favor to the applicant and requests that you consult with your personal tax professional concerning grants and scholarships you may receive.

## The Tax Factor - Are Scholarships Taxable?

Generally, whether a scholarship or fellowship is tax-free or taxable depends on how it is applied to your education expenses and whether you are a degree candidate.

## Tax Rules for Scholarships - Military.com| by Internal Revenue Service

A scholarship is generally an amount paid or allowed to, or for the benefit of, a student at an educational institution to aid in the pursuit of studies. The student may be either an undergraduate or a graduate. A fellowship is generally an amount paid for the benefit of an individual to aid in the pursuit of study or research. Generally, whether the amount is tax-free or taxable depends on the expense paid with the amount and whether you are a degree candidate.

A scholarship or fellowship is tax-free only if you meet the following conditions:

- You are a candidate for a degree at an eligible educational institution.
- You use the scholarship or fellowship to pay qualified education expenses.


## Qualified Education Expenses

For purposes of tax-free scholarships and fellowships, these are expenses for:

- Tuition and fees required to enroll at or attend an eligible educational institution.
- Course-related expenses, such as fees, books, supplies, and equipment that are required for the courses at the eligible educational institution. These items must be required of all students in your course of instruction.

However, in order for these to be qualified education expenses, the terms of the scholarship or fellowship cannot require that it be used for other purposes, such as room and board, or specify that it cannot be used for tuition or course-related expenses.

## Expenses that Don't Qualify

Qualified education expenses do not include the cost of:

- Room and board.
- Travel.
- Research.
- Clerical help.
- Equipment and other expenses that are not required for enrollment in or attendance at an eligible educational institution.
- This is true even if the fee must be paid to the institution as a condition of enrollment or attendance. Scholarship or fellowship amounts used to pay these costs are taxable.


## See last page for application.

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Check all that apply:Broomall Rotary ScholarshipBroomall Rotary Interact Scholarship

Name:
(Last) (First) (Middle initial)
Address:

| (Number) | (Street) | (City/Town) | (State) | (Zip) |
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Best contact phone number: $\qquad$ E-mail address: $\qquad$
Name of Parent(s) or Guardian(s): $\qquad$
Which school will you attend? $\qquad$
(Please include location)
What is your intended major field?
Will you reside at home or on campus? $\qquad$

| Costs Per Year: |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Tuition | $\$$ |
| Room/Board | $\$$ |
| Books | $\$$ |
| Fees/Other | $\$$ |
| Total | $\$$ |

List all college grants and other scholarships (not loans) you have been awarded. We require this information with the amounts to include your application for our review. Also, please specify whether it's a one time or yearly scholarship.

| Grant / Scholarship | Once/Yearly | Amount |
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Please list work experiences (after school and during summer months). Please list most recent job first, including company name, job title \& duties:
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## SCHOLARSHIP AWARD DISCLAIMER AND PUBLICITY RELEASE

The Broomall Rotary Club assumes no responsibility for late, lost, incomplete and/or misdirected scholarship applications. Each scholarship winner grants the Broomall Rotary Club the right to use his/her name and likeness, the name of any school attended or to be attended and the major area of study contemplated by such winner in advertising and promotion without further permission or compensation.


