

Dear Students, Parents, and Guidance Counselors,

For 2014, the Grayslake Area Chamber of Commerce will award six scholarships. The **Joanne W. Lawrence Scholarship** will be awarded to three students from Grayslake Central High School who excel in the areas of Fine Arts, Athletics or Academics. The **Shirley A. Christian Scholarship** will be awarded to three students from Grayslake North who also excel in Fine Arts, Athletics, or Academics. Each scholarship will be valued at \$2,000 each. One scholarship will be awarded in each category – Fine Arts, Athletics, and Academics per school. The scholarships are available to students who attend either Grayslake Central or Grayslake North High School. Relatives of members of the Grayslake Chamber Board of Directors are not eligible to receive the scholarship.

Selection is based on the following:

- Need of Financial Assistance – 20%
- Achievement – 20%
- School Involvement – 20%
- Volunteer Service – 20%
- Essay – 15%
- Possible Interview – 5%.

To be considered, the following items **MUST** be included with your application:

- Completed and signed Scholarship Application form.
- Sealed/certified high school transcription.
- Letter of recommendation from a school representative, teacher or volunteer supervisor.
- An essay (500 words or less, typed double spaced) about your life goals.
- An acceptance letter from the school the student plans to attend.

Incomplete applications will **NOT** be considered.

Applications must be **postmarked by Monday, April 1, 2014**, and mailed to:

**Grayslake Area Chamber of Commerce
PO Box 167
Grayslake, IL 60030**

Winners will be recognized at a luncheon on May 22, 2014, at the Chamber's monthly networking luncheon.

Sincerely,

Karen Christian Smith, Executive Director

2014 Scholarship Application

SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA:

- Need of Financial Assistance – 20%
- Achievement – 20%
- School Involvement – 20%
- Volunteer Service – 15%
- Essay – 20%
- Possible Interview – 5%

The candidate must be a graduating high school senior and must plan to enter an accredited institution of higher learning (tech, junior college, business college, university, etc.) the fall term following the granting of the scholarship.

AN ACCEPTANCE LETTER FROM THE SCHOOL YOU PLAN TO ATTEND IS REQUIRED BEFORE THE ACTUAL SCHOLARSHIP CAN BE CONSIDERED.

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

FATHER/GUARDIAN INFORMATION:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Occupation: _____

Employer: _____

Approximate Annual Salary (including commissions): _____

MOTHER/GUARDIAN INFORMATION:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Occupation: _____

Employer: _____

Approximate Annual Salary (including commissions): _____

HIGHER EDUCATION COST INFORMATION:

Number of dependent children living at home (including applicant): _____

Number of dependent children in college (not including applicant): _____

Total cost per year of school you are planning to attend: _____

(Include tuition, housing, meal plan (if applicable))

SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS & FINANCIAL AID:

How much of the tuition will be coming from Student Loans? _____

List below other scholarships, grants, financial aid, etc. that you have received and specify how many dollars per year. Please list separately by category. Please explain if these are reoccurring funds or a one-time allotment.

APPLICANT'S ACHIEVEMENT & STUDENT INVOLVEMENT:

List below your community service activities, work, and volunteer jobs:

List below your school involvement including extracurricular activities (athletics, music, school offices held, etc.).

List below any recognition, awards, or honors you have received.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:

State the reason(s) you need financial assistance:

APPLICANT INTRODUCTION:

Provide a brief written introduction of yourself.

IMPORTANT: Attach a typed, double-spaced essay (500 words or less) about your life goals.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN'S SIGNATURE: _____