

# Rotary Club of Portsmouth

## Scholarship Application

Each year the Rotary Club of Portsmouth seeks scholarship applications from high school seniors scheduled to graduate who will be attending a post secondary institution (either a 2 or 4 year program). Applicants must also reside in the city of Portsmouth or in the adjoining Towns of Rye, Greenland, New Castle, or Newington.

The scholarships are one-time non-recurring awards of up to \$2,000 and are made on a non-discriminatory basis to individuals demonstrating excellence in scholastic, extracurricular, and community service activities. Individuals with special learning circumstances, who have worked to overcome these circumstances, are encouraged to apply for the scholarship.

Recipients are notified approximately six weeks after the application deadline. The scholarships are awarded to the students during a Rotary meeting in May or June.

Applicants are encouraged to work with their high school guidance councilor and/or college advisor when submitting the application. Once all applications have been received, the Portsmouth Rotary Scholarship Committee will select a pool of finalists to be interviewed individually in April.

This year, scholarship applications can be completed electronically using the fillable pdf and printed for submission (please note that the scholarship application cannot be saved in this format, but only printed out). Alternatively, students may print out the document and fill out by hand or using a typewriter.

### General Application Guidelines

- (i) Please answer all questions in the prescribed format; incomplete applications will not be considered.
- (ii) Resumes should not be submitted and will not be reviewed by the committee.
- (iii) Please use only the space provided when answering essay questions.**
- (iv) Two (2) letters of reference are required and must be submitted attached to the application.
- (v) An official high school transcript must be included with your application. Please see your guidance office to obtain official transcripts.
- (vi) Applications must be turned in to your Guidance Office representative by March 21, 2012 OR mailed to following address and POSTMARKED no later than March 21, 2012.**

ADDRESS: Portsmouth Rotary Scholarship Committee  
Diane Lavigne  
579 Broad Street  
Portsmouth, NH 03801

**APPLICANT INFORMATION (please print or type)**

1) Name: \_\_\_\_\_

2) Current Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3) Home Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

4) Cell Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

5) E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

6) Date and Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

7) Name(s) of Parent(s) or Guardian(s): \_\_\_\_\_

8) Address of Parent(s) or Guardian(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

9) Name of High/Secondary School: \_\_\_\_\_

10) Date of Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

11) Please check the following to verify that the following documents are included with this application. Applications without the following documents *will be considered incomplete and will not be considered* by the review committee.

\_\_\_ A Complete High School Transcript

\_\_\_ Academic Letter of Reference (from a teacher, guidance councilor, or other school officer)

\_\_\_ Community Letter of Reference (from a non-family member, employer, friend, mentor, etc.)

\_\_\_ Copies of any Financial Assistance Award Notifications you've received (other scholarships or awards)

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- 12) Estimated tuition expense for the first (1<sup>st</sup>) year of the college(s) you are most likely to attend:  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 13) Amount you have personally saved for your first (1<sup>st</sup>) year college expenses:  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 14) How were the savings in 13 (above) earned? Over what period of time?  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 15) Does your family/guardian(s) intend to assist you with your college expenses? If so, to what extent? \_\_\_\_\_
- 16) Highest level(s) of education attained by parent(s) / guardians(s)?
- (i) Father: \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) Mother: \_\_\_\_\_
- 17) Father's (guardian's) total annual income (include income earned on investments, if any):  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 18) Mother's (guardian's) total annual income (include income earned on investments, if any):  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 19) Total number of dependents in your household: \_\_\_\_\_
- 20) Total number of family members who will be attending a post-secondary school on not less than a half-time basis during the upcoming school year, including the applicant: \_\_\_\_\_
- 21) Do you plan to work or be engaged in a work/study program while attending college? \_\_\_\_\_

22) Please list all other scholarships/grants/work study you have applied for or plan to apply for. Provide a copy of the notification of any financial assistance awarded by your college, and or any other organization(s):

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23) Special Scholastic Honors or Awards:

	<u>HONOR OR AWARD</u>	<u>SCHOOL YEAR</u>
(i)	_____	_____
(ii)	_____	_____
(iii)	_____	_____
(iv)	_____	_____
(v)	_____	_____
(vi)	_____	_____
(vii)	_____	_____
(viii)	_____	_____
(ix)	_____	_____
(x)	_____	_____

- 24) Extracurricular Activities (list all activities in which you were engaged during school grades 9-12. Indicate offices or positions held and average hours per week devoted to each activity, and any special recognition: (all-state, festivals, etc)

	<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>SCHOOL YEAR</u>
(i)	_____	_____
(ii)	_____	_____
(iii)	_____	_____
(iv)	_____	_____
(v)	_____	_____
(vi)	_____	_____
(vii)	_____	_____
(viii)	_____	_____
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(xiii)	_____	_____
(xiv)	_____	_____
(xv)	_____	_____

25) Employment experience (list and identify type(s) of employment, hours worked, relationship of jobs to career goals if applicable, and supervisor's name)

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
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- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_  
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- (iii) \_\_\_\_\_  
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- (iv) \_\_\_\_\_  
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26) Community Service (list community service activities in which you participated during school years 9-12. Indicate average number of hours per week involved and please provide supervisor's name)

	<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>HRS. / WEEK</u>	<u>YEAR(S)</u>	<u>SUPERVISOR</u>
(i)	_____	_____	_____	_____
(ii)	_____	_____	_____	_____
(iii)	_____	_____	_____	_____
(iv)	_____	_____	_____	_____
(v)	_____	_____	_____	_____
(vi)	_____	_____	_____	_____
(vii)	_____	_____	_____	_____

27) College/School plans (list colleges or post-secondary schools to which you have applied or intend to apply. Indicate planned major, and whether accepted or not)

	<u>COLLEGE / SCHOOL</u>	<u>MAJOR</u>	<u>ACCEPTED</u>	<u>EARLY DECISION (YES / NO)</u>
(i)	_____	_____	_____	_____
(ii)	_____	_____	_____	_____
(iii)	_____	_____	_____	_____
(iv)	_____	_____	_____	_____
(v)	_____	_____	_____	_____
(vi)	_____	_____	_____	_____
(vii)	_____	_____	_____	_____
(viii)	_____	_____	_____	_____
(ix)	_____	_____	_____	_____
(x)	_____	_____	_____	_____

28) What do you expect to 'get out' of your college experience?

29) What are your post-graduate career goals?

30) Why should you be selected to receive this scholarship? What sets you apart from others who are also applying?

31) What serves as your internal moral or ethical compass?



32) What do you know about Rotary?

**I (applicant) hereby certify that the foregoing referenced is accurate and complete.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\* Did you remember to include:**

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**Notes:** \_\_\_\_\_

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