

Wentzville Firefighters Community Outreach: Scholarship Opportunity



General Description

1. Wentzville Firefighters Community Outreach is proud to offer a \$1,000 scholarship to one student from each of the high schools in the Wentzville Fire Protection District: Holt, Liberty, and Timberland.
2. The scholarship must be used for higher education in an accredited technical, trade, vocational or certificate-level program, or for a degree or certification in the emergency services field. Proof of enrollment will be required for the scholarship to be awarded but not necessary to apply.

Eligibility

1. Must be a high school senior attending one of the above three high schools.
2. Dependents or children of Wentzville Fire Protection District employees are ineligible.

Directions

1. Complete basic information in the application
2. Attach two letters of recommendation from a non-relative
3. Attach completed essay
4. Optional: Attach a resume if you have one available
4. Deadline for Submission is April 15, 2020.

WFCO: SCHOLARSHIP

* Required Information

Applicant First Name *

Applicant Last Name *

Applicant Email Address *

Applicant Mailing Address *

Parent/Guardian/Other First Name *

Parent/Guardian/Other Last Name *

What is your current high school? *

* Required

Essay Questions

Directions: Do not mention your name or that of your parent/guardian in your essay.
In 500 words or less, write an essay about the following topic:

Why are you applying for the scholarship, and what is your primary drive and source of motivation?

Scholarship Essay Scoring Guide

Scholarship Essay Rubric

| | Excellent (5-4 pts.) | Adequate (3-2 pts.) | Inadequate (1-0 pts) |
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| <u>Content:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clarity Original thoughts and ideas | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clear purpose throughout Evidence of careful thought/insight Totally personal and original response | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some sense of purpose is maintained Some evidence of careful thought/insight Mix of personal and other information not very unique | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clarity of purpose is incomplete or absent Little or no evidence of careful thought/insight Repeat of information that is already known |
| <u>Structure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organization Flow of thought Focus and structure of writing Transitions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Logically organized Writing is easy to follow Effective, smooth and logical transitions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some organization with some digressions Simple but formal structure Basic transitions (intro, body, conclusion) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Difficulty to follow; no apparent organization Shifting focus Poor or no transition |
| <u>Language:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vocabulary Word choice Tone Sentence structure | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vocabulary varied, specific and appropriate Varied sentence structure Tone appropriate to the audience | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Moderate language skill Uses simple vocabulary/sentences Tone shows direction to audience | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vocabulary is basic; may not be used properly Very simple sentences |
| <u>Grammar and Mechanics:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spelling Grammar Punctuation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nearly perfect, few errors | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some basic errors that do not interfere with understanding | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Numerous errors in spelling, grammar, punctuation that interferes with understanding |