

Attached please find the 2024 Altoona Rotary Club Scholarship application. This letter will provide you with a brief background of the Altoona Rotary Scholarship Program, detail the information required to apply, and critical deadline dates.

In 1998 the Altoona Rotary Club began its scholarship program. Over the last twenty-three years, the Club has given away \$474,500 and assisted 456 students from three area high schools (Altoona Area High School, Altoona Career and Technology Center, and Bishop Guilfoyle Catholic High School). The

Each scholarship application is scored by at least six committee members using the following criteria: financial need, scholastic achievement, in-school and extracurricular activities, and finally community involvement. In order to properly score your application, please answer each question fully and to the best of your ability. Additional required documentation is detailed below.

Please use this checklist to ensure that your application is complete prior to submittal for consideration;

- 1. All questions on the application form have been answered.
- 2. The essay is either written on the application, or attached as a separate page.
- 3. Parental or guardian tax returns are attached. 2022 returns are preferred, but 2021 is acceptable. If 2022 returns are not available, and there has been a significant change in income from 2021, please include a note of explanation. <u>IMPORTANT: For privacy and security</u> reasons, please black out all social security numbers on your tax returns.
- 4. A current school transcript is attached.

Return the application, with supporting documentation detailed above, to the Guidance office on or before APRIL 5TH, 2024.

## PLEASE SCAN AND EMAIL THE COMPLETED APPLICATON to pbaker@blairregionalymca.org on or before APRIL 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2024 – ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL @ 814-695-4467 EXT 218

Thank you for your interest in the Altoona Rotary Club Scholarship. Winners will be announced in mid-April, and checks will be awarded at a Rotary meeting in May. Award winners are expected to attend the meeting to receive their award.

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