



# 2023 - NORTH POLE ROTARY CLUB SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The scholarship will be a 2 year/\$3000.00 per year (total scholarship \$6,000) paid directly to the attending school.  
North Pole Rotary will award additional scholarships based on this application as funding allows.

## QUALIFICATIONS

- Grant is for 2023 graduating seniors from a North Pole, Alaska school, to include students remote learning.
- Grant is for full time enrollment in a college, university or technical school for students seeking a degree or certificate in a **Career and Technical Field. (CTE) Career & Technical Education**
- The expected GPA (Grade point average) is **2.5** or higher

## BASIS OF AWARD

- Community Service to include school related volunteering and sports activities
- Personal development, preparation and plans for the future
- Scholastic and potential for leadership

## APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS

- **Student Essay:** Type or handwrite an essay (500 words or less) describing what your career goals are and how your efforts have prepared you for the next step of continuing your education towards the goal of becoming a participating, productive citizen. The purpose of this essay is for us to get to know who you are. Give us your vision for the future. Why do you deserve this grant? Accomplishments or attributes to include in your essay are wide ranging and could be community service related, church, part time jobs, projects, individual or group efforts, leadership positions, teacher aid or tutor positions, awards, times you have paid it forward, etc. Looking through the packet and understanding the spirit of the Rotary organization will help you with your essay.
- **Reference Letters:** Attach three (3) letters of reference by choosing from the following: an employer, volunteer coordinator, coach, clergy, teacher or a fellow classmate.
- **High School transcript:** Attach copies of your transcript (PowerSchool is acceptable).  
E-mail Mrs. Forsman if you are unable to download your transcript off PowerSchool. [audra.forsman@k12northstar.org](mailto:audra.forsman@k12northstar.org)

## APPLICATION DEADLINE: Friday April 21st 2023.

All things considered, applications will not be available in an online format. Please complete the application packet and return to Audra Forsman in counseling by Friday April 21<sup>st</sup> 2023.

## Included with this scholarship application are the following:

- Rotary information about the global Rotary organization and the North Pole Chapter/Club. (Keep This)
- North Pole Rotary Club's achievements over our 44-year local history. (Keep This)
- Important questions, expectations for recipients, and signature page with instructions (Return This)

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Rotary is a global network of 1.4 million neighbors, friends, leaders, and problem-solvers who see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

Solving real problems takes real commitment and vision. For more than 110 years, Rotary's people of action have used their passion, energy, and intelligence to take action on sustainable projects. From literacy and peace to water and health, we are always working to better our world, and we stay committed to the end.

### **What Rotary Does**

Rotary members believe that we have a shared responsibility to take action on our world's most persistent issues. Our 35,000+ clubs work together to:

- Promote peace
- Fight disease
- Provide clean water, sanitation, and hygiene
- Save mothers and children
- Support education
- Grow local economies

### **The Rotary Mission**

We provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through our fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.

### **Rotary Vision Statement**

Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

### **North Pole Rotary Club**

1. Chartered in 1978 and has proudly served our community since.
2. Responsible for hundreds of international and local community projects for the betterment of our world and local community.
3. Through the years the North Pole Rotary Club has been a consistent partner with local schools through our international youth exchange program, yearly continuing education scholarships, and mentoring assistance with career days and other methods.
4. An honored list of sharing and accomplishments of the North Pole Rotary Club follows.

For more Information about Rotary online: <https://www.rotary.org>



## **Proud Accomplishments of the North Pole Rotary Club Founded October 1978**

- **Developed Jimmy O'Connor Skate and Basketball Park**
- **Developed Terry Miller Park**
- **Funded the Security System at Holiday Heights Senior Living**
- **Provided in excess of \$175,000 in Scholarships to local graduating HS seniors**
- **Hosted and sponsored more than 35 Youth Exchange Students**
- **Sponsor a RYLA (youth leadership training) participant annually, support RYLA when it is held locally**
- **Provide Christmas stockings to homeless youth each year**
- **Sponsored Christmas Families and Santa's Clearing House**
- **Annual Highway Cleanup- Adopt a Highway/ Sponsored Clean Up Day Bags for the Community**
- **Partnered on Nordale Road Boat Launch project**
- **Established the Larry Swenson flower beds at North Pole City Hall**
- **Completed a matching grant for computers for school children in Cochin, India**
- **Provided raised garden planters for North Pole Elementary School**
- **Supported NPHS Choir, Football, Teacher Appreciation, and Ignition Programs**
- **Provided funding and support for the bus stop shelter at North Pole Middle School**
- **Partnered with College Rotary to make Botanical Garden Pavilion wheelchair accessible**
- **Sponsored a program in Honduras that supports families sending their youth to school**
- **Sponsored and participated in Alaska Health Fair, North Pole**
- **Sponsored 2017-18 Rotary Cares About Kids backpacks**
- **Partnered with area clubs to provide dictionaries to all 3<sup>rd</sup> graders in FNSB schools**
- **Partnered with Junior Achievement in North Pole Schools**
- **Sponsored a local Cub Scout Pack and Boy Scout Troop**
- **Supported Shelter Box USA**
- **Raised money to support Polio Plus as well as member contributions**
- **Coordinated career fairs at North Pole High School**
- **Coordinated and worked on refurbishing North Pole Visitor's Center building**
- **Sponsored a program that fed villages in Kenya during the Pandemic when locusts ruined their crops**
- **Participated in multiple projects supporting local initiatives to provide food to community members in need**

STUDENT--KEEP THIS PAGE

How did you hear about the North Pole Rotary Club Scholarship? \_\_\_\_\_

Did you know anything about the Global Rotary Organization or the local North Pole Rotary Club before this scholarship application? Is yes, what was your perception of the organization? \_\_\_\_\_

We are enthusiastically interested in your success. It is commonly understood and customary that North Pole Rotary Club scholarship recipients will place a high degree of importance on communicating their success with the North Pole Rotary Club through written correspondence and when possible present their experiences in person to the North Pole Club at one of our weekly meetings. The sharing/presentations are typically 20 minutes in length.

I have read the attached literature, understand the mission of Rotary, and pledge to do my best as I venture forth with my continued educational pursuits.

Student name (Printed) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact person & phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated Educational Institution \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated degree or certification \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Return the following documents with this signature page to Audra Forsman NPFS.**

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- Your essay as described in scholarship application
- Three letters of reference
- Transcript