



Civic Leadership Scholarship

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The Blue Island Area Chamber of Commerce & Industry is pleased to announce our annual scholarship program for Civic Leadership. Each spring, the Chamber will grant two \$500 scholarships. In addition to completing this application form, applicants will be required to submit a letter of recommendation from a teacher, coach, or employer, and an essay.

Eligibility: Eligibility is limited to applicants who meet the following criteria:

- Applicants who are US citizens or permanent residents
- Seniors currently enrolled at Dwight D. Eisenhower High School, with plans to continue education or training at a US college, university, or professional/grad school, vocational or on-the-job training post-graduation.
- Applicants who have a minimum GPA of 3.0

The Application and Attachments: Please provide detailed answers to the application questions and submit all required attachments. All information received from applicants will be maintained in confidence.

Required materials for a complete application:

- A completed application form (pages 2 and 3 of this packet)
- Letter of recommendation from a teacher, coach, or employer
- An essay (not to exceed 700 words) addressing the following prompt:

Describe why you believe in civic leadership and volunteering and share your experience in giving back to your school, church, community or a charitable organization. In addition, describe why and how you feel the scholarship will help you reach your goals.

Deadlines: The application deadline is February 21, 2025. Honorees will be recognized at the Best of Blue Island Awards Dinner taking place March 15, 2025 at The Lyric Theater.

Please complete pages 2 and 3. Submission instructions appear on the last page of this application packet.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Please submit your responses below.	
1.	Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
2.	Mailing Address Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
3.	Telephone Number: () _____ Email Address: _____
4.	Date of Birth: Month Day Year Gender: _____
5.	Current Grade Level _____ Anticipated Graduation Year _____ Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA): _____ (On a 4.0 scale)
6.	Name and location of expected post-graduation education/training:
7.	What specific industry or career training are you interested in? (Examples can be business, nursing, technology, etc.)
8.	List Volunteer Experience, starting with your most recent.
9.	List awards, honors, and extracurricular activities.

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that my failure to provide accurate information may be grounds for disqualification from the scholarship process.

I hereby understand decisions of the scholarship committee will be final.

I hereby understand I will not submit this application without all required attachments and supporting information. Incomplete applications or applications that do not meet eligibility criteria will not be considered for this scholarship.

Signature of scholarship applicant: _____

Date: _____

Please be sure your application is complete. A complete application consists of the following:

- A completed application form (pages 2 and 3 of this packet)
- Letter of recommendation
- Your essay (not to exceed 700 words)

Checklist

Application

Essay

Letter of recommendation

EMAIL COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKAGE TO:
Blue Island Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Committee
sara@blueislandchamber.org

Scholarship recipient will be notified of award by March 1, 2025, and honored at the Best of Blue Island Awards on March 15, 2025.