

## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

### Scholarship

The Monsignor Eugene S. Burke Council Scholarship Program is meant to provide the children and grandchildren of active members in good standing the opportunity to help with their academic endeavors. Depending on the funds available in the Council Scholarship, the funds may be provided to:

- An elementary school graduate who is accepted by a Catholic high school **for their freshman year only.**
  - NOTE: For 2024 only, we will accept an applicant who is a freshman or sophomore attending a Catholic high school.
- A high school graduate who is accepted by a college/university **for their freshmen year only.**

### Eligibility Requirements

- The applicant must have a father or grandfather who is a member in good standing at the time of application. If the member is deceased, applicants remain eligible. The father or grandfather must be an active member in good standing for at least one year prior to the application.
- All applicants must be accepted by a Catholic high school or a full-time college/university with a 4-year degree program.

### Award Procedure

- All applications must include the necessary attachments, transcripts, essays, etc. and be submitted via US mail to the address indicated below. The COMPLETE application must be postmarked no later than the due date.
  - COMPLETED application packages (sections 1–8 ) must be postmarked no later than MAY 15<sup>th</sup>. Applications postmarked after May 15<sup>th</sup> will not be accepted.
  - COMPLETED applications and transcripts should be sent via US Mail to:  
The Knights of Columbus  
Monsignor Eugene S. Burke Council 5015  
770 Kinderkamack Road, River Edge, NJ 07661  
Attn: Scholarship Committee
- Based on the number of applications and the funds available, the scholarship committee will determine how many scholarships will be awarded
- All applicants will be reviewed by the Committee according to the following criteria:
  - **Community Service:** based on the applicant's involvement in various civic, Roman Catholic, and charitable organizations.
  - **Academic performance:** based on the applicant's student performance, as demonstrated by the submitted transcripts.
    - **Factors for consideration:** difficulty of subject matter, honors or advanced college level courses, and course load.
  - **Essay:** based on coherency, grammar, content, and originality.
  - **Sponsor Service:** based on the sponsoring member's level of participation in the Knights of Columbus mission statement, and of their service to the Msgr. Eugene S. Burke Council 5015, specifically.

### Scholarship notification and presentation

The scholarship winners will be notified by telephone by the Grand Knight or his designee on or about June 1st. The awarding of the scholarships will take place at a ceremony in June on a date to be determined.

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**1. Applicant Information:**

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

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**2. Current School Information:**

Current School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**MAIL – Official School Transcript postmarked no later than MAY 15, 2024**

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**3. Sponsor Information: (must be an active member in good standing for at least one year)**

Relationship: \_\_\_ Father \_\_\_ Grandfather

Membership Number (If deceased leave blank) \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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APPLICANTS CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

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4. **Service Information:** attach additional pages if necessary.

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Check all that apply:  Church  Community  Other

Explain your involvement and what the organization does.


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**5. Essay**

**All applicants must:**

- a. Attach an essay (250 word minimum; no more than 1,000 words) describing why you feel that it is important to volunteer in a service organization and how this scholarship will assist in your academic future.

**6. Scholarship information:**

- a. Have you applied for and been accepted by a Catholic high school, college, or university?  
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- b. What Catholic high school, college, or university will you be attending?  
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- c. If the decision is not finalized, indicate your choices.


- d. What will be your course(s) of studies or planned major if attending a college or university.


**7. Other information:** (enter information about yourself that the scholarship committee should consider; brag about yourself. Attach a letter if necessary)




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### 8. Certification

I certify that the above information is true and accurate.

Students Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Parent or Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

**Return all completed applications**

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