



**The Eagle County Rotary Club's  
Collaborative  
2012  
Scholarship Application**

Dear Eagle County High School Senior:

Congratulations on your beginning steps to secondary education! The Eagle, Edwards and Vail Rotary Clubs are excited to be a part of your planning for the future.

The Eagle County Rotary Clubs offer scholarships to local graduating high school seniors. Applicants must be Colorado residents. Sons and daughters of Rotarians are not eligible.

Education that will support your personal aspiration for a better life can be gained in myriad ways. For this reason, the Rotary Clubs are offering the following, provided funds are available, and there are qualified applicants:

- At least one scholarship to Colorado Mountain College
- At least one scholarship to a technical or trade school
- At least one scholarship to a college or university
- Additional scholarships of lesser amounts to returning scholarship recipients

The Rotary Clubs wish to support students who are most in need of the opportunity for education and training after high school. The following criteria are an example as to how our award decisions are guided:

- The demonstration of financial need and the level of financial support provided by the family. (Applicants are strongly encouraged to provide their Estimated Family Income (EFC) from the FAFSA form.)
- An actual record of applicant involvement in the community in 'Service Above Self' as exemplified by Rotarians in providing this funding
- Academic excellence
- The practical and realistic planning the applicant is using to assure that the plan for further education is attainable and sustainable through the full course of study

**For consideration:** Complete packages are to be typed, printed and submitted directly to the Rotary Club Scholarship Committee with a **postmarked no later than March 30, 2012**. Mail application and all requirements to: The Rotary Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 2474, Edwards, CO 81632 and you *must* include the following:

1. A complete typed application along with your typed essay response.
2. A sealed envelope containing a letter of recommendation, on letterhead, from an educator or employer.
3. An official copy of the most recent academic transcripts from your school or guidance counselor. An unofficial copy is acceptable if it is in a sealed envelope from your school.
4. ACT and/or SAT exam results.
5. Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) from your FAFSA form. If you have yet to receive the information, be prepared to bring it with you during an interview.

Incomplete or late packages will not be considered

Once the applications are reviewed by the Rotary Clubs' Scholarship Committee, and interviews are granted, your school's guidance office is notified and interview dates and times are scheduled. You will receive notification from your counseling office.





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**ESSAY**

In an effort to understand you, please attach a short essay (1-2 typed pages or 1,500-2,000 words) choosing one of the following topics: (Grammar, spelling and punctuation count! Be sure to actively check your work)

1. Describe how the experiences you've had, the people you've met, and the activities you've joined have prepared you for life beyond high school.
2. Indicate a person who has had a significant influence on you, and describe that influence.
3. Describe the most challenging obstacle you have had to overcome; discuss its impact and tell what you have learned from the experience.

**Family and Financial Information:** (Information provided is seen only by the Selection Committee and kept totally confidential)

Name of parents/guardian with whom you reside: \_\_\_\_\_

Annual household income for 2011: \_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated household income for 2012 \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of family members in your household (including you): \_\_\_\_\_

How many family members are currently attending a college or trade school? \_\_\_\_\_

For the year 2011, please list everyone (mother, father, guardian, relative) who provided you with financial support (housing, clothing, food, etc.)

Name	Relationship to Applicant

Have you applied for Federal Financial Aid by submitting a FAFSA (Free Application for Student Aid)? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, what is the Estimated Family Contribution (EFC)? \_\_\_\_\_

If not, when can we anticipate the information? \_\_\_\_\_

List Estimated Educational Expenses for the 2012-2013 Academic Year:

Tuition & Fees:	\$	Room & Board:	\$
Books:	\$	Transportation:	\$
Other Expenses: (Child care, costs related to disability, etc...Please describe below)	\$	Personal: (laundry, sundries, etc.)	\$
<p style="text-align: right;"><b>Total Estimated First Year Expenses:</b></p>			\$



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**Anticipated Student Resources**

List any scholarships or grants that you have been awarded or are pending for 2012-2013 and the amount of each award. Please include Pell grants or other federal aid, state aid, work-study, scholarships from other sources. Receiving aid *from other sources* will not disqualify you from receiving an award from this fund.

Scholarship/Grant Type	Annual Amount	Total Amount	Certain? (Y or N)	Possible? (Y or N)
	\$	\$		
	\$	\$		
	\$	\$		

Do you plan on working while attending school? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please describe the work you plan to do and how much you plan to earn during the school year:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please list any other student assets and the dollar amounts (trusts, parent or personal savings, 529 plans, etc.)

Type	Amount
	\$
	\$
	\$

Below, or on an additional piece of paper, please feel free to briefly share anything you may think will help the selection committee when it evaluates your application (family/personal hardships, etc.):

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

All information is strictly confidential. The Rotary Scholarship Committee reserves the right to request financial tax returns for award consideration. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Pam Beaudin, 2012 Rotary Scholarship Committee Chairperson at: 970-949-1307.

**ALL APPLICATION PACKAGES MUST BE TIMELY, COMPLETE, AND ACCURATE**



