

Norwood Park Chamber of Commerce Dollars for Scholars Program 2019

The Norwood Park Dollars for Scholars Program was created by the Norwood Chamber Scholarship Committee to honor the hard-working children and future leaders of our community. The Norwood Park Chamber and the Norwood Park Memorial Association is proud to offer a \$1,000 scholarship to one Norwood Park Resident, **Graduating Elementary School** student and one \$1,000 scholarship to one **Graduating High School Senior**.

Timeline

The applications will be accepted March 1, 2019 through March 29, 2019 with scholarship winners announced on Memorial Day, at the parade ceremony at Taft High School: May 27, 2019.

The scholarships are a one-time, non-renewable \$1,000 award that is open to a high school or elementary school student who meets specific eligibility criteria. The scholarship is payable to the college, high school or post-secondary (technical or trade) degreed program of the student's choice.

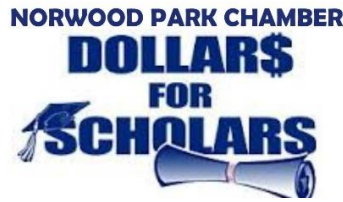
The goal of this scholarship is to support the educational/career plans of a graduating elementary or high school senior who has demonstrated a commitment to personal integrity, ethics, and community service.

1) Eligibility Details:

- Applicants must **reside** and be a permanent resident of Norwood Park at the time of application.
- Applicants must show proof of residency and school transcripts
- Applicant must submit a completed application on or before 7pm on March 29, 2019.

2) Applicant requirements:

- Applicants must currently be students in good standing in Elementary or High School
- Applicants must be graduating in 2019 from either 8th grade elementary school or be a high school senior
- Applicants must be enrolling in a high school, community college, university/college, or post-secondary (technical or trade) degreed program for the first term following graduation.
- Applications must be received by 7:00 p.m. on March 29, 2019. Only applications completed in entirety will be considered.
- Must have copies of school info including current GPA, Class Rank, Test Scores
- Applicants may share awards, volunteerism, employment and recommendation letters
- Awarded funds may be used to assist with student expenses such as tuition, fees, books or room and board. Funds will be made payable directly to school of winners choice.



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Awards

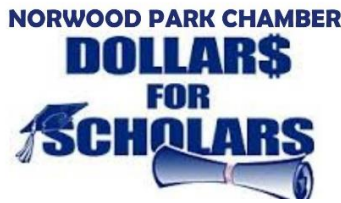
1. A total of two (2) scholarships will be awarded, one to an eighth grade graduating elementary school student and another to a graduating high school senior.
2. Scholarships will be awarded on May 27, 2019 and made payable any time after June 15, 2019, upon receipt of definite proof of enrollment in a high school, community college, university/college, or post-secondary school (technical or trade) degreed program.
3. A committee comprised of officers and directors of the Norwood Park Chamber Scholarship Committee reviews and evaluates all applications submitted.
4. A copy of the letter from the high school, college, university or trade school indicating the applicant's acceptance into a program of study in the Fall of 2019 must be provided prior to disbursement of funds.

Directions

1. Complete the Norwood Park Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Application Form, Scholarship Applicant Informational Form and Personal Reference Forms in their entirety
2. Attach an official high school transcript or most current grammar school report card
3. Attach proof of residency
4. Attach (2) Personal Reference forms from a non-family member
5. Type and attach a typed, double-spaced, 500 word essay on the following topic:

TOPIC: Why is shopping local important? How do you plan to persuade your community to shop local?

6. Return completed applications by mail or hand deliver by 5pm on or before **March 29, 2019** to: **Norwood Park Chamber Attn: Dollars for Scholars**
6133 N. Northwest Hwy, Suite A
Chicago, IL 60631



Norwood Park Chamber of Commerce Dollars for Scholars Application Form

Applicant Name: _____ Age: _____

Home Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone# _____ Student Cell Phone# _____

Parent Name _____ Parent Cell _____

(___) Current High School Senior or (___) Current Elementary 8th grade Student

Grade: _____ Current School Name: _____

School Address: _____

Student Email: _____

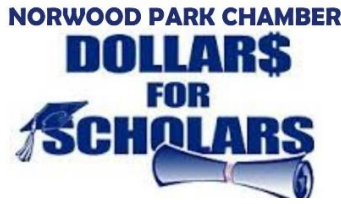
Parent Email: _____

TOPIC: Why is shopping local important? How do you plan to persuade your community to shop local?

I, _____, do hereby swear that the attached essay is solely my original work. I received no help in the research, planning, or writing of this essay. I realize that if I am found guilty of having plagiarized material in my essay, I am subject to forfeit the opportunity of winning the scholarship. The recipient also agrees to the publishing of his/her winning essay, along with name and photo.

Signature _____

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY Date Received: _____ Number: _____



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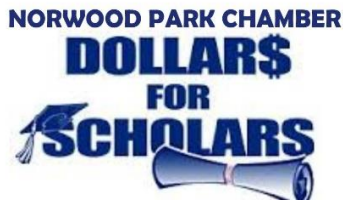
Dollars for Scholars Applicant Informational Form

Future/Professional Career

Goals: _____

List any positions you have held, organization alliances, school activities, sports or clubs, school council participation. Include the number of years you have participated and any offices or positions of responsibility you may have held.

List any volunteer/community service projects or positions in which you have participated. Include the number of years you have participated in each activity and any offices or positions of responsibility you may have held. List any recognitions and awards: all national, state, local and school awards you have received.



**Norwood Park Chamber Dollars for Scholars
Personal Reference Form**

(A Personal Reference must not a family member of applicant). Feel free to attach a page.

Name of Personal Reference: _____

Address of Personal Reference: _____

Phone # of Personal Reference: _____

Describe type and length of relationship between Scholarship Applicant and Personal Reference:

Briefly describe why you believe this student merits the Norwood Park Dollars for Scholars Award:

Signature of Personal Reference _____ Date: _____