



Kiwanis Club of Rolling Hills Estates

Scholarship Application

The Kiwanis Club of Rolling Hills Estates is pleased to offer scholarships to deserving students from our local South Bay area. The scholarship monies are allocated by the Club based upon the proceeds from fund-raising activities, including the annual Palos Verdes Marathon, which is the second oldest, continuous-running marathon in the United States of America.

In addition to the annual Kiwanis Club scholarships, an additional scholarship is awarded in honor of outstanding former Kiwanis members. The Cliff Welsh Memorial Award is given for service to the community through Kiwanis sponsored youth programs, including Key Club and KIWINIS at local high schools.

The Kiwanis Club hopes to reward students who have shown special "heart" and performed to the best of their ability in high school, and it is recognized that this high level of achievement may have been maintained under difficult conditions related to family, outside endeavors, employment and other situations. The scholarship committee will consider academic merit, service and need. Students may be recognized for performing exceptional service to their school and to the community. Applications are welcomed from students planning to go to a four-year college or university as well as those planning to attend a community college or vocational program. An applicant may be called upon to be interviewed as part of the selection process.

Please follow the enclosed instructions carefully and submit all materials, as directed, by the Spring 2010 deadline.

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS
SPRING 2010**

March 23, 2010



KIWANIS CLUB OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

1. Fill out this application completely. Incomplete applications will not be considered by the Scholarship Committee. This includes any and all financial information requested in order to consider an applicant for financial need. SAR's, AB 540 Waivers, and tax documents must be attached.
2. If you download the application, please complete it in Microsoft Word. If you obtain a paper copy of the application, type all answers, including the essay.
3. Obtain the following documents:
 [Please note: an "Authorization for Release of Educational Records For Financial Award Application" form is attached to this packet. You may use it to obtain copies of your official records.]
 - SAT/ACT Scores;
 - Official high school transcript [1 copy official transcript];
 - Transcripts from any community college and/or other high schools.
 - One letter of recommendation from a teacher or guidance counselor; and
 - One letter of endorsement from a responsible person, **neither** related to the applicant nor affiliated with the school, who can give worthwhile opinions of the character, diligence and resolve of the applicant.
 - If you are applying for an award based upon financial need, attach a copy of yours and your parent(s) Form 1040 for the year of your scholarship application.
 - A copy of your SAR from FAFSA filing.
 - Verification of AB540 status (copy of birth certificate and waiver)
 - A Completed checklist as provided.
3. Obtain copies of other documents [optional]:
 - Community Service Certificates; and
 - Acceptance letters from institutes of higher education, professional schools or cultural education programs.
 - Photo
 - Any other awards/programs substantiating financial need.
4. Attach the documents in 2 and 3 above to your Scholarship Application. Make 2 copies of the application packet.



5. Submit the original Scholarship Application packet, two copies and an electronic copy of the Application if you completed it in Microsoft Word [on diskette, IBM format] to the following address by the deadline.

[Your completed application must be received by Kiwanis on or before the deadline].

Kiwanis Club of Rolling Hills Estates
P.O. Box 2856
Palos Verdes Peninsula, CA 90274

The submitted information will be verified by the scholarship committee.

Please note: If you are selected to receive a Kiwanis Scholarship from the Club of Rolling Hills Estates, you will be asked to keep the Club informed of your current mailing address and other contact information. The Club will be interested to learn about your progress and we will want to share the good news with all of the donors who make the scholarship program possible.



___ Mother only

___ Father and Stepmother

___ Father only

___ Guardian / Relationship: _____

___ Other living arrangements not listed above, please explain:

7. Father's Occupation:

8. Mother's Occupation:

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA CAREFULLY AND SELECT THE OPTION THAT BEST DESCRIBES YOUR FINANCIAL STATUS

9. Annual Family Income: \$ _____
 [Attach a copy of your parent(s) Form 1040 and SAR if seeking an award based upon financial need. Financial need scholarships must have income from family and student attached]

_____ a) If not seeking award based on financial need, please check mark here.
 You will not need to attach any income tax information – **only your SAR.**

_____ b) If AB540, please check here. Attach waiver.

HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

1. Name of High School You Attend Currently:

If you have attended more than one high school from 9th grade on, please list those other high schools and the counselors assigned with their telephone numbers and email addresses:

Name, telephone number, extension and Email address of your counselor at your current High School:

Name:

Phone number with direct extension

Email:

2. Grade Point Average [GPA]:

_____ Overall



_____ College Pre-Requisite Classes [A-G according to UC Guidelines.]

3. List the classes you have taken in addition to the minimum required coursework which were of particular interest to you or in addition to your college requirement classes (you may list community college courses, and/or any extracurricular courses related to culture or interests):

3. Have you taken [or are you currently taking] advanced placement or honors courses?
 ___ Yes ___ No

If yes, list the AP/Honors courses and your grade in each.

What percentage of classes in your high school [junior and senior years] are entitled "Advanced Placement?"

_____ 5-10%	_____ 41-60%
_____ 11-20%	_____ 61-80%
_____ 21-40%	_____ 81-100%

5. SAT Scores: _____ Verbal _____ Math _____ Analytical

SAT II Scores: _____ Subject: _____ Subject:

ACT scores: _____ English _____ Math _____ Reading _____ Science

6. SCHOOL and/or COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS AND ACTIVITIES: Please list your office/title and/or contribution to each organization/group and state the offices you have held. Use a separate sheet if needed.]

High School Clubs: [State if you were a member, what positions you held, what your responsibilities were for that office and what percent of the activities you attended for each year of membership. Please provide names of club advisors and contact information]

Athletic Teams or Clubs: [State if you were a member, what positions you held, what your responsibilities were for that office and what percent of the activities you attended for each year of membership. Please supply coach's names and contact information]



List Honors, Awards, other scholarships you have earned: [Specify the Honor/Award, the club/society/agency making the award and the approximate date received.]

Community / Service Activities: [Be specific about your participation and the time required.]

7. Employment Record: Please include self –employment if applicable

<u>Employer</u>	<u>Position</u>	Period: <u>From - To</u>	<u>Hrs/Week</u>	Reason for <u>Leaving</u>
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6. Will you be living at home or away during your next school year? ___ Home ___ Away
7. Approximate cost for your first year of higher education?
 \$ _____ Tuition and Fees \$ _____ Housing/Food
- Have you been accepted into a work study program/related on campus or other job at college?
8. How much can your parents contribute to your higher education?
 Please circle: 0% 25% 50% 75% 100%
9. Please attach your SAR (Student Aid Report) and state how much your family is expected to contribute to your education.
 \$ _____
10. Are there any special circumstances that the Scholarship Committee should be aware of with regard to your family situation or financial need?
11. What is your financial plan to pay for your first year of higher education (savings, working, loans, grants, family contributions, awards, other)?
- 11A. If AB540, please describe financial plan sustaining education already in place at the time of this Application (list scholarships already received, savings, benefactors, etc):
12. Please write a brief biography of yourself, your hobbies and interests, and discuss your long-range goals. State how you intend to reach these goals inclusive of higher education. Summarize by stating why you are deserving of a Kiwanis scholarship. [Add an additional page as needed.
Please limit the biography to approximately 2 pages or 600-800 words.]
- ❖ **If there is anything else you believe the committee should know about you that does not fit in any of the categories asked above, please state it on a separate sheet marked “Additional Information for Consideration” and attach to the application packet.**



Please review and complete this checklist for all attachments.
INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE REJECTED.

- **SAT and SAT II Scores, ACT Scores;**
- **Official high school transcript [1 official transcript];**
- **One letter of recommendation from a school teacher or school guidance counselor; and**
- **One letter of endorsement from a responsible person, neither related to the applicant nor affiliated with the school, who can give worthwhile opinions of the character, diligence and resolve of the applicant. You must use someone who knows you in either a professional or personal manner. You may use a supervisor, community leader, coach, employer or others.**
- **If you are applying for an award based upon financial need, attach a copy of yours and your parent(s) Form 1040 for the year of your scholarship application.**
- **A copy of your SAR from FAFSA filing**
- **Verification of any employment (Your W-2, 1099, or dependent status)**
- **Verification of AB540 status (copy of birth certificate and waiver)**
- **Acceptance letters from institutes of higher education or professional schools.**
- **Community Service Certificates**

_____ **Other documentation included: Please name any additional documentation you have attached that is not categorized in the list above.**



AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF
EDUCATIONAL RECORDS
FOR FINANCIAL AWARD

*** NOTE: In accordance with the Federal Privacy Rights of Parents and Students Act, the following signed consent is necessary for _____
 Name of High School

to release student information for use in conjunction with the student's application for financial aid or awards.

The undersigned hereby consent to release by the High School of all educational records about the student, including recommendations and other such information as may be requested.

 Signature of Student

 Date

 Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian

 Date