



DESCRIPTION OF MAYOR'S STAY AT HOME SUMMER ESSAY PROGRAM

TO WHOM AWARDED

The City of New Roads will award the Mayor's Stay At Home Summer Essay Program to four graduating seniors from all four local area high schools (Livonia High School, Stem Magnet Academy of Pointe Coupee, Catholic High of Pointe Coupee, and False River Academy of Pointe Coupee) approved and accredited by the State Department of Education (public or private) where the following conditions are met:

- (a) There must be a representative appointed by the City of New Roads participating in the scholarship program as the coordinator of this project.
- (b) The program will be limited to one scholarship per year providing all criteria are met by the graduating senior.
- (c) Scholarships will be given without regard to race, creed, religion, national origin, sex or employment status of prospective recipients or of any relative of any prospective recipient.

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

The Mayor's Stay at Home Summer Essay Program scholarship will be in the amount of \$1,000.00 (one-time payment only).

FREE CHOICE OF COLLEGE/VOCATIONAL SCHOOL AND COURSE OF STUDY

The recipient of the Mayor's Stay At Home Summer Essay Program scholarship is free to select any accredited college, university, business or trade school and to select any course of study he/she desires to pursue, providing that such course of study leads toward an academic degree.

RESPONSIBILITY OF CITY PROGRAM COORDINATOR

The City Program Coordinator will be responsible for appointing the local Scholarship Selection Committee in accordance with the following guidelines:

- (a) The Committee shall consist of five persons.
- (b) Members of the Committee should be leading community business or professional persons (including the mayor), one should be either a school superintendent, high school principal or counselor.

- (c) In order to maintain strict impartiality of the Committee, the City Program Coordinator, persons having children who are seniors in high school and teachers who are teaching in the same school in which the scholarship is being given that year, are not allowed to serve on the Committee. The City Program Coordinator should take an active part in the process, acting as Committee Secretary, but without a vote.
- (d) In order to maintain strict impartiality of the Committee, the City Program Coordinator will assign a number to each applicant prior to the selection of the Scholarship recipient. Therefore, members of the Selection Committee will not see individual names on the application forms; only a number. The Mayor and the City Program Coordinator have the option of withholding or disclosing the true identity of the scholarship recipient to the Selection Committee members only after the winner has been selected (by number only).

CRITERIA TO BE USED BY SELECTION COMMITTEE IN SELECTING SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

The Selection Committee shall consider the following criteria in selecting the recipient of the Mayor's Stay At Home Summer Essay Program scholarship:

- (a) Applicant's scholastic achievement. Students must have at least a 2.5 (C) overall grade point average to apply for this scholarship.
- (b) Applicant's interest in furthering his or her education.
- (c) Applicant's reputation for good citizenship, positive attitude and good moral character.
- (d) Applicant's participation and leadership in school activities.
- (e) Applicant's participation and leadership in community activities outside of school and church activities. Applicant must participate in a variety of community projects between their freshman and senior years. These projects may be done through the City of New Roads as well as through other community projects in general. Involvement in community service projects will be the main deciding factor for the recipient of this essay program.
- (f) Applicants must have volunteered a minimum of 40 community service hours between their freshman and senior years.

SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY

Submit a two-page essay referencing a current event. Your essay should be typed, or computer printed using black ink. Be sure to use a typeface no smaller than 12 point.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF WINNER

The name of the scholarship recipient will be announced and presented a certificate at a high school graduation or awards ceremony. Award will be presented at City Hall. News releases about the winner will be mailed or brought to the local media on the presentation date. The City Program Coordinator should provide two photos of the winner to accompany the news release.

HANDLING OF SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

Recipient of the scholarship should first pay the tuition to the college, university, trade school or business school selected by the student. Following payment, a call should then be made to the City of New Roads recipient in order to set up a brief meeting with the City Program Coordinator and /or Mayor. The scholarship recipient should bring proof of registration to this meeting. The City of New Roads will then reimburse the recipient in the amount of \$1,000.00.

NON-USE OF SCHOLARSHIP

In the event the recipient does not accept the scholarship by failing to enroll in a college, university, trade school or business school, the gift will become null and void.



CITY OF NEW ROADS COMMUNITY SERVICE

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

I. Information to be supplied by applicant: (please type or print)

Name: _____

Date: _____ Male: _____ Female: _____

Full Name of Parent/Guardian: _____

Permanent Address of Parent/Guardian: (street, town/city, state, zip code, etc.)

In the space below, briefly summarize your school and church activities during your high school career. List organizations and clubs with which you have been affiliated. Indicate offices held.

In the space below, briefly summarize community service activities in which you have been involved. (Exclude school and church activities listed above). *Note: Applicants are required to have 40 hours of community service.

*ATTACHMENTS ACCEPTED

What college, business or trade school do you plan to attend? (Name and location)

When do you expect to enter? (Month and year)_____

What field of study do you intend to pursue?_____

What are your educational plans for the future?_____

Please list any other scholarships, awards or financial aid applied for or granted:

<u>Type of Financial Aid</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Year/Semester Granted</u>
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The applicant herewith consents that the Scholarship Selection Committee be fully informed as to the applicant's scholastic standing, character, amount of community service involved in, and any or all other factors having a bearing on this scholarship application. The applicant as well as the parent/guardian also gives permission to the City of New Roads and its Scholarship Program Coordinator, to provide photos and information to the local media regarding the recipient of the scholarship.

Signature of Applicant

Telephone Number of Applicant

Signature of Parent/Guardian
(If under the age of 18)

Telephone Number of Parent/Guardian

****DUE TO COVID-19, CERTIFICATION FROM PRINCIPAL OR COUNSELOR IS NOT NEEDED TO VALIDATE APPLICATION. PLEASE ATTACH COPY OF FINAL REPORT CARD.****

OMIT THIS PORTION OF APPLICATION

II. Information to be supplied by Principal or Counselor

This is to certify that the above applicant has a _____ overall grade point average. (This scholarship requires a minimum of 2.5 overall GPA).

The date of high school graduation will be:

The Selection Committee would appreciate your signature concerning your evaluation of the applicant's citizenship, confirmation of community involvement and worthiness for scholarship consideration.

Date: _____

Principal or Counselor

Name of High School

Address of High School

School Telephone Number

Name of Scholarship Coordinator

***DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION SUBMISSION TO THE CITY OF NEW ROADS IS FRIDAY, AUGUST 7, 2020.**