GENERAL INFORMATION

As part of our continued community outreach and service, Mercer Island Rotary wishes to support our Mercer Island students who have shown the potential to thrive and excel in an environment that allows for diversity, ability, commitment, and challenge.

We, as members of Mercer Island Rotary, will award a scholarship in the amount of $10,000 to a deserving Mercer Island student. The recipient will be a high school senior who currently resides on Mercer Island and attends any local high school or lives off-island and attends Mercer Island High School. The goal of the award is to contribute towards an accredited post high school educational or career training opportunity.

KEY DATES

Applications Open: January 23, 2023

Applications Due: March 22, 2023

Scholarship Awarded: April 26, 2023

The following criteria will be considered in awarding the scholarship:

* **Service Above Self**: How has this student used his/her creativity and time to discover and support projects benefiting the Greater Seattle or world community?
* **Academic Achievement**: How has this student maximized his/her abilities to demonstrate a commitment to succeed in the pursuit of their goals?
* **Character References**: Testimonies and references from a variety of supporters; including teachers, coaches, clergy, mentors, employers & others who have influenced their life.
* **Financial Need**: Does the scholarship contribute to a student’s ability to afford the tuition and fees at the school of his/her choice?

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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| Name |  |
| Home address |  |
| Email |  |
| Phone |  |
| Date of birth |  |
| Place of birth |  |
| Full name of father or guardian |  |
| Full name of mother or guardian |  |
| Names and ages of siblings |  |

ACTIVITIES

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| List community service or volunteer activities |  |
| List extracurricular activities |  |
| List work experience |  |
| List any awards, prizes or scholastic honors |  |

EDUCATION

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| High school attending |  |
| Expected graduation date |  |
| List other educational experiences and dates if applicable |  |
| Name and contact information for the principal or guidance counselor of your high school or similar school official who can verify your attendance/graduation |  |
| Name and contact information of at least one reference. Maximum of three |  |
| Post high school institution do you plan to attend? Please attach documentation of acceptance |  |
| List the names and amounts of any scholarships grants or awards you have already been awarded |  |
| Did you submit a FAFSA application? If yes, please attach a copy of your FAFSA report. If no, explain.  |  |

* Attach a copy of your high school transcript and any other advanced studies.
* Attach a letter of recommendation from a non-relative who can speak to your character, achievement, and any extracurricular activities or relevant circumstances.

PERSONAL STATEMENT

Please express in a brief essay your reason(s) for applying for this scholarship. Please include how your goals and activities have exhibited the Rotary value of Service Above Self.

AFFIDAVIT- I hereby attest that the information on this application is complete and true to the best of my knowledge. I also understand that the decision of the scholarship committee is final.

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

We thank you for applying for the Mercer Island Rotary scholarship. We wish you a successful and rewarding lifetime of achievement and extend to you an invitation to membership in Rotary.

Due Date: **Applications must be RECEIVED no later than March 22, 2023.**
Scholarship applications should be emailed if possible. If they are mailed, please allow at least a week for delivery.

Please email to:

Walter (Wally) Boos – Chair, Mercer Island Rotary Scholarship Committee

 wally@bowfits.com

To submit application via U.S. Mail please send to:

Rotary Club of Mercer Island

Attn: Scholarship Committee

P.O. Box 1, Mercer Island, WA 98040