

ROTARY CLUB OF PALATKA
SUNRISE
P.O. Box 2343
Palatka, Florida 32178-2343

Dear Applicant:

The purpose of a Rotary Club Scholarship is to assist you in furthering your educational interests beyond your high school degree or to assist you in improving your employability skills. We invite individuals to apply who are in need of financial assistance to obtain their educational goals.

The following conditions apply for a Rotary Club of Palatka Sunrise Scholarship:

- A Rotary Club of Palatka Scholarship will not exceed \$1,000 for the 2024-2025 academic year.
- A Rotary Club of Palatka Sunrise Scholarship cannot be held over, extended or postponed beyond the period for which it is originally granted.
- No part of the scholarship is to be used to defray the expenses of any person other than the scholar.
- Recipients may apply for additional scholarship funds in subsequent years if they attended classes in at least two semesters and completed at least 6 academic hours in the year for which the previous scholarship was awarded.
- Scholarships are available for Putnam County residents only.
- Selected applicants may be required to interview with the Scholarship Committee.

In order to apply, please return the following completed materials:

1. Attached Scholarship Application, including written response to essay questions on separate pages.
2. Two completed Recommendation Forms. A teacher, employer, or other individual that has knowledge of your academic background or skill level should complete this form.
3. Completed Academic Background Form. Your high school guidance counselor should complete this form if you have graduated high school in the last two years. If you graduated more than two years ago, provide proof of high school diploma.
4. Return all application materials to: Rotary Club of Palatka Sunrise, Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 2343, Palatka, FL 32178-2343, or palatkasunriserotary@gmail.com, by **April 30, 2024**.

Completeness, timeliness, and quality of application will be included in our consideration. We congratulate you on your decision to further your education and wish you continuing success.

Sincerely,

The Rotary Club of Palatka Sunrise Scholarship Committee



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Scholarship Application

The Rotary Club of Palatka Sunrise scholarship program began in 2000, and since then our club has awarded more than \$100,000 to local students in a wide variety of educational programs.

Only complete scholarship applications will be considered. A complete scholarship packet includes an application with autobiography, two letters of recommendation, academic background form (only required for current high school seniors) and copies all academic transcripts. Please mail your scholarship packet to:

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Scholarship Committee
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STUDENT INFORMATION

Name _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone# _____

Email _____

Student ID _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Father's Name _____ His Occupation _____

Mother's Name _____ Her Occupation _____

Number of Brothers/Sisters in Family _____ Ages _____

Number of persons living at your home _____ Ages _____

Household Income: Under \$10,000 \$10,000-\$30,000 \$30,000-\$50,000

\$50,000-\$70,000 above \$70,000

Are you a military veteran: Yes No Branch of military service _____

Dates of military service _____

What vocational school, community college, or university do you plan to attend? _____

Proposed major field of study: _____

Proposed degree/certificate: _____

HONORS AND AWARDS

List honors and awards that you have received:

STUDENT ACADEMIC HISTORY

High School GPA Unweighted: _____ Weighted: _____

Expected high school graduation date: _____

College GPA: (If applicable) _____

Expected college graduation date: _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Are you currently employed? Yes No

If so, where? _____

Did you complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)? _____

What other financial aid or scholarship will/do you receive? _____

Please list any extracurricular activities _____

Please list any community service activities _____

Are you a returning Palatka Sunrise Scholarship applicant? Yes No

ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS

AUTOBIOGRAPHY

Provide the following information (not to exceed two pages):

A brief autobiography describing your academic strengths and weaknesses, work experience, career objectives and other significant events in your life. Also, please include why you are applying for a scholarship, what your proposed field of study will be and how this relates to your career objectives and what needs/challenges would this scholarship help you meet?

TRANSCRIPTS

Provide official copies of all academic transcripts.

I certify that all information in this application is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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Recommendation Form

Directions: The individual who is asked to complete this recommendation for you should be informed of your intentions and the purpose of a Rotary Club Scholarship. This form must be returned to: Rotary Club of Palatka Sunrise, Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 2343, Palatka, Florida 32178-2343, or palatkasunriserotary@gmail.com.

Name of Applicant: _____

Proposed Field of Study: _____

1. How well, how long and in what capacities have you known the applicant?

2. How firm is the applicant's commitment to his/her proposed field of study?

3. In comparison with other students whom you have known at comparable stages of their careers, how would you rate the applicant in the following areas? If you are unable to evaluate an area, please leave it blank:

	Excellent	Very Good	Average	Below Average
Self-Discipline				
Seriousness of Purpose				
Enthusiasm				
Adaptability				
Maturity				
Emotional Stability				
Communication				

Is this information to be treated as confidential? Yes _____ No _____

Signature: _____ Print Name: _____

Title or Position: _____ Date: _____

