

Development Association of Rock Island

Scholarship Application - March 2023

The Development Association of Rock Island (DARI) is offering a scholarship to a Rock Island high school senior as a part of our community marketing campaign - ***Why Rock Island***. Participants are asked to use their imagination to create a video or other visual that tells the story ***Why Rock Island*** is a great place to live, work and play. DARI will use the stories to help market Rock Island.

DARI SCHOLARSHIP RULES:

Applicant must be attending a Rock Island high school and reside in Rock Island, Illinois.

The DARI Scholarship Application Form must be completed for consideration. All answers must be typed.

A Visual essay is required that describes ***Why Rock Island*** is a wonderful place to live, work and play. You will need to create a video (5 minutes or less) or a Photo visual. A link to your visual documentation must be included in your application (for example a link to a YouTube video, Google Doc, TikTok, PowerPoint, etc.)

The completed application form and required documentation are to be **submitted via email by May 15, 2023.**

Application Documentation will include the following:

- Completed typed Application Form.
- Written Essay.
- Visual Essay – A link to your visual documentation.
- Letter of Reference (which will be emailed separately to DARI).
- Permission for the Release of Video/Visual Materials.

A panel representing the Development Association of Rock Island Executive Board of Directors will review the scholarship applications and select the final winners.

There will be one winner selected for a \$5,000 scholarship for the 2023-2024 academic year. Awards are for one year and will be paid directly to the college/university of enrollment upon receipt of verification of enrollment. The DARI board reserves the right to modify or alter the amount of awards.

Scholarship winners will be asked to submit a photo of themselves to be featured in a media release, social media and other promotional materials.

Winners will be announced in **June 2023.**

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

1. STUDENT APPLICANT PERSONAL INFORMATION

Applicant's Name

First _____ Last _____

Date of Birth _____
MM/DD/YYYY

Personal Email _____

Applicant's Primary Phone Number _____

Permanent Address

Street Address

Address Line 2

City, State

Postal/Zip Code

2. HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

Which High School are you graduating from?

_____ Rock Island High School

_____ Alleman High School

_____ Other? _____

Gender

Male _____

Female _____

Other _____

Date of Graduation _____

3. HOME AND FAMILY INFORMATION

Father _____ check here if father's address is same as applicants

First _____ Last _____

Street Address

Address Line 2

City, State

Postal/Zip Code

Father's Email _____ Father's Phone Number _____

Mother _____ check here if mother's address is same as applicants

First _____ Last _____

Street Address

Address Line 2

City, State

Postal/Zip Code

Mother's Email _____ Mother's Phone Number _____

If neither parent – who is primary/guardian?

Primary/Guardian

First _____ Last _____

Street Address

Address Line 2

City, State

Postal/Zip Code

Guardian Email _____ Guardian Phone Number _____

4. YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND GOALS

Current Cumulative GPA (out of 4.0) _____

ACT or SAT Score (circle) _____

Please list any College courses you have taken to date if any

Provide a list of all financial awards (scholarships or grants) you have already received.

Identify scholarships or other financial assistance for which you have or will apply.

Provide a list of extracurricular school activities you have engaged in during your high school years; include dates of involvement.

Provide a list of other volunteering and community activities not related to school you have engaged in during your high school years; include dates of involvement.

Provide an example of an experience where you displayed leadership skills.

Are you presently holding a job? If yes, list your current place of employment and former places of employment; include dates of employment and average hours of work per week.

5. COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY PLANS

What college or university do you plan to enroll? _____

First Choice College/University

Name, include City and State

Second Choice College/University

Name, include City and State

Third Choice College/University

Name, include City and State

College Major intention (if known) _____

6. WRITTEN ESSAY

In 250 words or less describe why you believe Rock Island has been a wonderful place to grow up and live. Include why you would recommend someone to live, work and do business in Rock Island. (**Attach a separate typed one page -double spaced paper for your written essay**)

7. VISUAL ESSAY - Include the link to your video or visual telling your story of *Why Rock Island*.

8. LETTERS of REFERENCE

What is the name of the person who will be providing your letter of reference?

First _____ Last _____

Relationship _____

Please have them send their letter of reference via email to:

smcintosh@rockislandforward.com

9. CERTIFICATION OF APPLICANT

By checking these boxes, you are certifying the following:

_____ You have discussed this application with a parent or guardian and high school guidance counselor or official.

_____ Give Permission to use your photo in a media release, promotional and marketing materials.

_____ Give permission to DARI officials to contact high school guidance counselor or officials to verify school enrollment.

_____ Give permission to use your video or other visual documents by DARI officials for Rock Island marketing purposes including but not limited to media releases, quotes, news articles, media interviews, social media and other marketing materials.

I certify that the answers to the preceding questions are true and correct.

Student Application Signature

DATE _____

10. CONFIRMATION OF SUBMISSION

You will receive a confirmation email after submitting this application. If you do not receive a confirmation email, your application did not submit correctly. Please check settings and reach out to Stacey McIntosh, DARI Program Director, smcintosh@rockislandforward.com or phone (563)321-7550.

Application Deadline is May 15, 2023, no later than 11:59 p.m.