

Application Deadline May 1st.

Sterling Bank Scholarship Summary

Mission: To support young people in our communities, who pursue excellence and outstanding achievement, by providing financial support for continuing education where there is need and motivation to succeed.

Summary: Three (3) individual \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to individuals graduating from high school in the spring of this school year. Scholarships will be awarded through the assessment of the school administration, community scholarship foundation or other designated advisory group and based on the criteria suggested below.

Criteria: Students should demonstrate leadership, exercise good judgment, work ethic and character, participate in scholastic and/or athletic endeavors, volunteer or engage in positive activities in the community, pursue academic excellence to their full potential, and demonstrate the desire to better themselves, family and community through further study and application of advanced education. Evaluation of candidates to be weighed based on expressed need (10%), leadership/ character (10%), work ethic / effective use of time and resources (30%), scholarship / achievement (20%), future goals / motivation (20%), and submitted essay (10%).

Application Materials: To be considered, students must complete an application, turn in a teacher appraisal, provide their current transcripts, submit a letter of recommendation from a non-family adult and provide a 1-2-page essay.

Awarding of Scholarships: Scholarships will be awarded based on the evaluation of application materials. Selected students will be notified at the school's scholarship announcement event – unless otherwise noted.

Payment: A check for the scholarship amount will be sent directly to the school (in the name Of the scholarship winner) upon notification of completion of the first grading period. Students should contact their local Sterling Bank branch to arrange for the scholarship funds to be paid to the school. A copy of their transcripts should be submitted to verify enrollment and that they have completed the grading period.

For more information, please contact the high school counseling office.



Teacher Appraisal Form

(To be completed by an instructor of the scholarship applicant)

Please provide information in support of this application for the Sterling Bank "Sterling Star" Scholarship. We ask that you give serious attention to the statements provided below. When completed please give this form to your school counselor to be included with the rest of the application materials. Thank you for your assistance.

Appraiser's Name:

Relation to Student:

Phone:

Email:

Signature:

Applicant's Name: _____

(Please answer the questions below using the following scale: 5 is the highest, 1 is the lowest)

1. The applicant's choice of a college major is appropriate..

5 4 3 2 1

2. The applicant's achievements reflect his/her abilities...

5 4 3 2 1

3. The applicant's ability to set realistic and attainable goals is...

5 4 3 2 1

4. The applicant's level of curiosity, initiative and work ethic is...

5 4 3 2 1

5. Rate the applicant's ability to follow-through and complete tasks...

5 4 3 2 1

6. The applicant's attitude, citizenship, character and respect for others is...

5 4 3 2 1

Additional comments would be helpful and appreciated: _____

Scholarship Application

STERLING BANK "STERLING STAR" SCHOLARSHIP

Mission Statement

Sterling Bank supports young people in our communities who pursue excellence and outstanding achievement by providing financial support for continuing education where there is need and motivation to succeed.

Application Requirements

To be considered, students must be a graduating senior this year. They must complete an application, obtain a teacher appraisal, provide their current transcripts, submit a letter of recommendation from a non-family adult and provide a 1-2-page essay to the high school counseling office by the appointed date.

Contact and Family Information

Applicant's full name: _____

Date of birth: _____

Home Address: _____ Phone: _____

Mailing address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Full name of parents/guardians with whom you live: _____

Full name of father: _____ Occupation: _____

Father's place of employment: _____

Full name of mother: _____ Occupation: _____

Mother's place of employment: _____

Number of Siblings: _____ Ages of dependent siblings: _____

Number of immediate family members (including applicant) who will attend college during the 2018/2019 school year: _____

Education Choices and Enrollment Status

What school will you be graduating from: _____

What college do you plan on attending: _____

College address: _____ Financial aid office phone: _____

Your enrollment status: Full time Part time Will you be living on campus? Yes No

What are the anticipated total cost for 2017/2018 school year at this school: _____

Major field of study: _____ Anticipated H.S. graduation date: _____

Personal Information

List school activities you have participated in during high school (clubs, sports, student government, etc...)

Activity: _____ Years: _____

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List community activities you have participated in the past four years as a volunteer (church, camp counselor, community clean-up, etc...) Please list the name and phone number of the group/activity supervisor as well.

Activity/Group: _____ Supervisor: _____ Phone: _____

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List any special awards and honors you have received from school, clubs, community service, etc...

Employment and Special Interests

List and describe your work experience during the past four years.

Place of employment	Phone	Dates	Hours	Salary

Describe your hobbies and special interests: _____

Expectations and Comments

Have you been awarded (or do you expect to receive) other scholarships for the coming school year? Yes No

Are you anticipating financial assistance from your family? Yes No If so, how much: _____

Describe any unusual family or personal circumstances which have affected your achievement in school, work, or your participation in school or community activities:

Additional comments or information you would like to share?

Applicant Essay

Please write and submit a 1-to-2 page essay to accompany your application materials

In your own words, tell us about you. What defines who you are and why you think you should be awarded this scholarships? Describe your goals and plans for the future. what motivates you, who you look up to and why, and explain the reasons you have decided to pursue the school and fields of study you indicated on your application.