



Keep Little Elm Beautiful

Scholarship Application

Keep Little Elm Beautiful Scholarship Program

2017-2018 Scholarship Announcement

This program is established by the Little Elm Keep Little Elm Beautiful KLEB, an independent non-profit organization dedicated to the support of the Little Elm community and its citizens. The KLEB's purpose in offering this scholarship is to identify and honor outstanding High School Seniors. All aspects and administration of the scholarship is provided by the KLEB organization.



How does a student qualify for the KLEB Scholarship?

Any High School Senior may qualify and enter competition for the KLEB scholarship by achieving the following requirements:

- A candidate must be a student in a public school, charter school, trade school or home school in the Little Elm area.
- A student must complete a verifiable minimum of 20 hours of documented community service of which at least 15 hours of service must be for the Town of Little Elm and/or KLEB, including assisting at special KLEB events, i.e., the bi-annual Clean & Green Town Wide Clean-up events, Adopt-A-Street Program, Shoreline Clean-up events, Great American Trash Off. The remaining hours can be served in the Town of Little Elm, with another Little Elm non-profit organization, or by doing environmental/beautification projects in the Town. All volunteer hours must be completed between September 1st and April 15th of the current school year.
- A student must be in good standing with the school and continue to demonstrate their passion for the environment through their academic career.
- Activities not conducted in Little Elm for the community service requirement will be reviewed on a case by case basis.
- A candidate must submit the application with attachments by the deadline on April 30th of the current school year.

How is the KLEB scholarship award determined?

The determination of the recipient of the KLEB scholarship shall be selected from a group of qualifying High School Seniors that have met or exceeded the requirements of the program as recommended by the KLEB Scholarship Committee. The Scholarship winners will be chosen on a competitive basis and without regard to family financial circumstances, gender, race, ethnic origin, or religious preference. A committee of the KLEB will choose the winners by evaluation of factors of each candidate including environmental activities and contributions to the community, academic record, and recommendations about the candidate. The Winners will be notified prior to any public announcement by the KLEB Organization in May of the current school year.

What is the amount of the KLEB scholarship award?

The top candidate will receive a scholarship award of \$500 and 2 additional outstanding candidates will each receive a scholarship award of \$250 toward tuition each, for books or other college financial requirements. All portions of the competition, including the selection of a winner and payment of scholarship award, are handled by the KLEB Scholarship Committee. Funds will be in the form of a check payable to the accredited college of the student's choice.

When is the deadline to submit an application?

April 30th of current school year

Questions may be addressed to:

KLEB Scholarship Committee at KLEBScholarship@gmail.com

Little Elm Website at <http://www.littleelm.org/kleb>

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Please type or print clearly in black ink.

Part I (Basic Information)

Name: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Home Address: _____
(Street)

(City) (Zip Code)

Phone No.: _____ E-mail address: _____

Choice of College/University (please circle status)

1. _____ Applied Accepted Not Applied
2. _____ Applied Accepted Not Applied
3. _____ Applied Accepted Not Applied

Anticipated Major: _____

Anticipated Minor: _____

Applicant Name: _____

Part II (Environmental Activities)

- A. Essay Questions - Please answer the following questions in essay. The essay must be typed (double space) and *not exceed 1200 words*. The essay should include a centered cover page with the applicant's name, submission date, and contact information:
1. Briefly, what would this scholarship mean to you (unusual family situations, other tuitions, medical expenses, etc.)?
 2. Why do you think protecting the environment is important?
 3. Describe recent environmental activities you participated in.
- B. Documentation – Please attach or upload documentation for each activity that you are submitting as part of the scholarship application packet. Activities with the Town of Little Elm, KLEB or other non-profits, will require a completed/signed volunteer form. Pictures may be submitted along with the signed volunteer forms (Note: attachments are not to exceed 10mb)



Applicant Name: _____

Part III (About You)

A. If you have been employed (childcare, restaurants, merchant stores, etc.) during high school, briefly describe your experience.

B. School Activities/Organizations/Awards Year Honors/Awards

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

C. Community Activities/Organizations/Awards Year Office(s) Held or Honors

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

D. Describe any honors not previously listed Year Office(s) Held or Honors

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Applicant Name: _____

Part IV (Educational Information)

To be completed by school counselor (upon review of the completed application).

Name of Applicant: _____

Rank in Class: _____

Overall Grade Point Average: _____

Grade Point Average last two years (Jr. and Sr.): _____

Counselor Comments:

Counselor Signature

Date



Applicant Name: _____

Part V (References)

Please submit two references from your school and one personal reference. The Scholarship Board has provided you with a blank Reference Form (please make two additional copies) to hand carry to your references. Those individuals will return the completed Reference Form back to the Scholarship Board of the Little Elm Keep Little Elm Beautiful by submission date of April 30th of current school year.

Counselors, teachers, or high school campus administrators:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone No: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone No: _____

Personal Reference:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone No: _____



Keep Little Elm Beautiful: Scholarship Reference Form
Submission Deadline: April 30, 2018

Candidate Name: _____ School: _____

Reference Name: _____ School: _____

Instructions: Please rank the candidate with 1 as the lowest rating, 5 as the highest. Please make a personal comment.

PERSONAL

I feel I know the candidate well enough to compare him/her with his/her peers. 1 2 3 4 5
The candidate is committed to personal enrichment through learning. 1 2 3 4 5

Please provide explanation/comments:

EDUCATIONAL/CAREER

The candidate chooses appropriate challenges. 1 2 3 4 5
The candidate makes maximum use of resources and effort to meet challenges. 1 2 3 4 5
The candidate has the student and organizational skills required to succeed at a college/university environment. 1 2 3 4 5

Please provide explanation/comments:

LEADERSHIP

The candidate takes on responsibility and inspires others to work in positive directions. 1 2 3 4 5
The candidate is realistic about making and carrying through long-term commitments. 1 2 3 4 5
The candidate has a positive and mature attitude. 1 2 3 4 5
The candidate is cooperative and provides a good role model. 1 2 3 4 5

Please provide explanation/comments:

Please return this form to: Keep Little Elm Beautiful
Attention: KLEB Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 357
Little Elm, TX 75068
OR KLEBScholarship@gmail.com



CONFIDENTIAL REFERENCE



Instruction to Candidates:

Complete the top line of the reference forms (Candidate's Name and School) before distributing the reference forms. Please contact your references as soon as possible to provide ample time for them to meet submission deadline. All references are confidential and should be mailed or delivered directly to Keep Little Elm Beautiful Scholarship Committee before April 30th of the current school year.



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Candidate Checklist:

Part I (Basic Information)

- Completed in Full

Part II (Environmental Activities)

- Essay (not to exceed 1200 words)
- Documentation: Signed volunteer forms and photos (not exceed 10mb)

Part III (About You)

- Completed in Full

Part IV (Educational Information)

- Completed by school counselor

Part V (References)

- Reference information completed
- References have been given a copy of the Scholarship Reference Form and Instructions to submit completed before April 30th

Submission

- Completed Application has been submitted to:
Keep Little Elm Beautiful
Attention: KLEB Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 357
Little Elm, TX 75068
OR
KLEBScholarship@gmail.com

**The deadline to submit an application for the Keep Little Elm Beautiful Scholarship Program is April 30th.*

KLEB Scholarship Grading Rubric

The purpose of this rubric is to aid the Keep Little Elm Beautiful Scholarship Committee in determining if a scholarship applicant meets the minimum requirements for eligibility for consideration and to assign an overall grade to the total application packet.



Applicant Name _____
Applicant School (if applicable) _____
Applicant Contact _____
Total Application Score _____

I. VERIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY

- Student in a public school, charter school, trade school or home school in the Little Elm area
- Student completed a verifiable **minimum of 20 hours** of documented community service of which at least 15 hours of service must be for the Town of Little Elm and/or KLEB. Remaining hours can be served with another non-profit within Little Elm (activities outside of Little Elm will be considered on case by case basis).
- Student in good standing with school.
- Application with attachments by the deadline on April 30th of the current school year.

II. VERIFICATION OF COMPLETE APPLICATION

- Essay complete
- Community Service documentation
- About You section complete
- References (2 school and 1 personal)
- Educational Information received from school counselor

III. SIGNATURE/CERTIFICATION

Did the applicant meet the eligibility requirements and provide all of the information requested above before the posted deadline?

- NO – Set application aside as Incomplete
- YES – Proceed through Rubric

_____ Signature of KLEB Scholarship Committee Member

_____ Printed Name

_____ Date

IV. SCHOLARSHIP PACKET GRADING

COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKET (max total of 5 points for this section) _____ total points

Packet completed in full and submitted on or before April 30th deadline.

REFERENCES (max total of 5 points for this section) _____ total points

Packet includes two school references and one personal reference.

ACADEMIC RECORD (max total of 20 points for this section) _____ total points

Points awarded in this section are at the discretion of the KLEB Scholarship Committee. Areas of interest include but are not limited to: Overall GPA (all four years) - GPA for last two years (Jr. and Sr.) – School Activities/Organizations/Awards - Employment while maintaining strong GPA

ACTIVITIES (max total of 30 points for this section) _____ total points

I. Town of Little Elm/KLEB Activities (max total of 15 points)

Please award pts based on number of activities and leadership position	*1-2 entries 3 pts	*3-4 entries 6 pts	*5+ entries 10 pts	Leadership Position (additional 5 pts)
Participation in Town of Little Elm/ KLEB events i.e., the bi-annual Clean & Green (Spring and/or Fall) Town Wide Clean-up events, Adopt-A-Street Program, Shoreline Clean-up events, Great American Trash Off (minimum 15 hours)				

II. Other Non-Profit Activities within Little Elm (max total of 9 points)

Please award pts based on number of activities and leadership position	*1-2 entries 2 pts	*3-4 entries 3 pts	*5+ entries 6 pts	Leadership Position (additional 3pts)
Community Service (within Little Elm) (minimum 5 hours)				

III. Other Non-Profit Activities outside of Little Elm (max total of 6 points)

Please award pts based on number of activities and leadership position	*1-2 entries .5 pts	*3-4 entries 1 pts	*5+ entries 3 pts	Leadership Position (additional 3pts)
Community Service (Outside of Little Elm)				

ESSAY EVALUATION (max total of 40 points for this section) _____ total points

Scoring Scale	Poor/Fair 1-3 pts	Good 4-6 pts	Above Average 7-9 pts	Excellent 10 pts
Ideas The meaning and development of the message (10 points)	Suggests a topic but does not respond to question	General topic defined Somewhat responds to questions	Topic clearly defined Responds to questions	Topic narrow and well-defined Responds well to questions
Organization The internal structure of the piece (10 points)	Ineffective introduction and conclusion paragraphs Little or no sequencing Awkward structure Hard to follow No support given for idea	Adequate introduction and conclusion paragraphs Somewhat logical structure Limited support for idea	Effective introduction and conclusion Logical Structure Adequate support for idea	Well written and organized in a clearly logical and effective order Good support for ideas Does not exceed max word count (1200)
Word Choice The specific vocabulary the writer uses to convey meaning (10 points)	Limited vocabulary Words used incorrectly No figurative language	Vocabulary generally correct Some active verbs and precise nouns Attempts to use figurative language	Effective verbs and nouns Word choice correct for audience Uses figurative language well	Use precise vocabulary Shows mastery of vocabulary Words and phrases create powerful images
Sentence Fluency and Conventions Way words and phrases flow and correct use of grammar and punctuation (10 points)	Sentences choppy and/or rambling With fragments and/or run on sentences Errors impede understanding Incorrect punctuation and capitalization Contains more than fifteen grammar and/ or spelling errors.	Some errors in sentence structure which affect meaning Some grammar and punctuation errors Contains ten to fifteen grammar and/ or spelling errors.	Few errors in sentence structure and conventions Errors do not detract from the meaning of the writing Contains four to ten grammar and/ or spelling errors	Little if any errors in sentence structure and conventions A variety of sentence types Grammar and usage contribute to clarity and style Contains one to four grammar and/ or spelling errors.

**Keep Little Elm Beautiful Scholarship
Volunteer Verification Form 2017-2018**
Deadline for Submission: April 30, 2018

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Information below to be completed by representative/individual overseeing the volunteer event.
A representative of KLEB will contact the organization to verify participation.

Name of Organization: _____

Type of work the student engaged in:

Date(s) Service Completed:



Total Hours Completed: _____

Signature of Volunteer Representative

Printed Name

Date: _____

Contact (#) or email address _____