

ELA TOWNSHIP SCHOLARSHIP – 2023/2024

This application is to be completed by all students wishing to be considered for the Ela Township Scholarship, made possible by funds received from LZHS students parking fees, not from resident tax dollars. All applications will be reviewed, and awards will be made to students whose life experience (academic preparation, extra-curricular activities, community service, volunteer activities, and work experience) most clearly demonstrate a desire to succeed and to make a positive contribution to Ela Township.

The Ela Township Board may provide multiple scholarships with a one-time maximum benefit of \$1,500.00 to eligible Lake Zurich High School seniors to offset the high expenses of post-secondary education. Consideration is given to students who reflect a strong commitment toward community service involvement and volunteer activities. All application packets must be received at the Ela Township Supervisors Office by May 1, 2023. Mail the application packet to the Ela Township Supervisors Office at 1155 E. Route 22, Lake Zurich, IL 60047, attention Supervisor Gloria M. Palmblad.

Eligible Students Must:

- Live within Ela Township
- Be able to demonstrate their community service contributions
- Be a senior currently graduating from Lake Zurich High School
- Have a C or better average
- Be accepted at a technical, trade, vocational, junior, or 4-year college
- Be enrolled for a minimum of 6 credit hours
- Submit a timely application packet
- Ela Township employees and their family members are not eligible

Your application packet should include:

- A completed scholarship application
- An official high school transcript
- Two letters of reference from adult non-relatives
- An essay of 300-500 words that includes the following:
 - Describes your educational plans and career goals
 - Describes how this scholarship would help you financially
 - Describes any extenuating circumstances that may have affected your academic performance

The Scholarship Selection Committee will determine the recipients based upon the following criteria:

- Student essay
- Recommendations
- Academic achievement
- Community service involvement
- Volunteer activities
- Work experience
- Extra-curricular activities
- Financial need



ELA TOWNSHIP SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

College you plan to attend after graduating: _____

Have you been accepted? Yes ___ No ___ Planned Major: _____

Academic Information

Grade Point Average: _____

Academic Awards: _____

Employment History

Name of Employer: _____

Type of Employment: _____ Dates of Employment: _____

School & Community Activities

Extra-Curricular Activities: _____

Volunteer Activities: _____

Community Service: _____

I certify that all of the information on this application and all supplementary forms are true and complete. I have read and understand the instructions. I agree to cooperate with additional requests for information, and by my signature authorize representatives from the Ela Township Board of Trustees to contact my dean of students, school counselor, or the Principal of Lake Zurich High School for additional information. If I receive any scholarship awards, I understand payment will be made directly to the educational institution, and all funds received are only for tuition and books in connection with my education.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

DEADLINE: May 1, 2023, to the Ela Township Supervisor