



2017

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL  
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



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COUNCIL 9676  
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(Due April 30, 2017)**

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Dear friends in Christ,

Council 9676 of the Knights of Columbus is pleased to announce it is accepting applications for the 2017 Catholic High School Scholarship Award. This scholarship will be awarded to an eighth-grade student who will be attending one of the Birmingham area Catholic High Schools or St. Bernard's Academy starting in the 2017-2018 school year. The applicant must be a member of Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church.

The scholarship for 2017 is \$4,500.00, awarded in four annual payments of \$1,000.00 paid directly to the Catholic High School, with a \$500.00 cash payment to the student at graduation. After the first year, the student must re-qualify for the subsequent years by maintaining a minimum grade point average of 3.0 (4.0 scale) (transcripts required) and demonstrating good character as a student and a Catholic. If the student maintains at least a 3.0 average all four years, the final cash payment of \$500.00 will be awarded to the student at graduation.

Any student graduating from the eighth grade is eligible no matter what school they currently attend. The scholarship will be awarded based on need, academics and extracurricular activities.

The application form may be typewritten or handwritten as long as it is legible. *The essay section must be legibly handwritten by the applicant.* Completed applications may be submitted either electronically via email or mailed through the postal service. See below for routing instructions. Applications can be downloaded from the OLV Knights of Columbus website, [www.olvknights.com](http://www.olvknights.com).

**Electronic Submittals:**

[j.macher@att.net](mailto:j.macher@att.net)

Or

**Mailed Submittals:**

**Knights of Columbus Council 9676  
5514 Double Oak Lane  
Birmingham, AL 35242  
Attn: Scholarship Committee**

***All applications must be completed and emailed or postmarked no later than April 30, 2017.***

Good Luck!

Scholarship Committee  
Council 9676

Contact: Jim Macher, 205-410-2820, [j.macher@att.net](mailto:j.macher@att.net)



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**Part 1 – Applicant Information**

Name:  Mr.  
 Miss

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Last                                  First                                  Middle                                  Date of Birth

\_\_\_\_\_

Street Address

\_\_\_\_\_

City    State    Zip Code

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Is father a current member of the Knights of Columbus?  Yes  No

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Does your family belong to OLV Parish?  Yes  No

Name of school you currently attend:

School: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Point Average: \_\_\_\_\_ 7<sup>th</sup> Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ 8<sup>th</sup> Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

**Copies of final 7<sup>th</sup> grade and most recent 8<sup>th</sup> grade report cards must be attached.**

Monthly family income before taxes (Check One)

<\$2000    \$2000 to \$3999    \$4000 to \$5999    \$6000 to \$7999    > \$8000

How many dependent children are in your family? \_\_\_\_\_

How many will be attending Catholic Schools next year? \_\_\_\_\_

Are there any special circumstances that have caused financial need (i.e. health problems, job loss, etc.)?  Yes  No  
If "Yes" please explain:



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**Part 2 - Honors / Activities**

List Honors and Activities you have participated in over the last **two** years: Include *Church, School, Community and Athletic* activities performed during both normal school hours and after school. Please also include the average number of hours per week dedicated to the specific activity.

<b>Church</b>	<b>Hours per Week</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Hours per Week</b>
<b>Community</b>	<b>Hours per Week</b>	<b>Athletic</b>	<b>Hours per Week</b>



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**Part 3 – Essay**

In the space provided below, write a 300 to 1000 word essay that contains the following elements. The essay must be *handwritten*.

- Discussion of your commitment to the Catholic faith. At a minimum, include what you do on a daily basis to demonstrate that you are a practicing Catholic and how often you attend Mass.
- Describe a situation where the teachings of the Church helped you demonstrate your values or morals as a Catholic.
- Discuss why you think this scholarship should be awarded to you.

**Essay Written By:**

**Date:**



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A large, empty rectangular box with a black border, intended for the applicant to provide information or answer questions. The box is currently blank.

**If more room is needed, please use back of page.**



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**Completed Application Checklist**

- Part one has been completed and all blanks filled.
- A copy of the applicant's 7<sup>th</sup> & most recent 8<sup>th</sup> grade report cards are attached.
- Part two of this application has been completed.
- Part three of this application has been completed by the applicant.
- Completed application is being submitted (post marked) no later than April 30, 2017.