

# 2020 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



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(Due April 30, 2020)

Dear friends in Christ.

Council 9676 of the Knights of Columbus is now accepting applications for the 2020 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 2020-2021 school year. The applicant must be a member of Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church.

The OLV Knights are pleased to announce that the total potential value of the 2020 scholarship is \$6,000. The award will be payable directly to the Catholic High school in four payments as follows: \$2,000 year one, \$1,000 the remaining three years. 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. An additional \$500 cash payment will be made directly to the graduating senior provided the minimum 3.0 GPA requirement is maintained at graduation. For graduating seniors maintaining a 3.5 or greater GPA the final cash award will be \$1,000.

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.

**Electronic Submittals:** 

john.gordon@effem.com

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,~2020.

Good Luck!



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Scholarship Committee

Council 9676

Contact: John Gordon, 205-410-3097, john.gordon@effem.com

### Part 1 – Applicant Information

Mr.	iss			
	Last	First	Middle	Date of Birth
	Street Address			
	City		State	Zip Code
Father's Name:			Occupation:	
Is father a current mem	ber of the Knights of C	Columbus?  Yes	□No	
Mother's Name:			Occupation:	
Does your family belon	g to OLV Parish?	□Yes □No		
Name of school you cur	rrently attend:			
School:		City:	Phone:	
Grade Point Average: 7 <sup>th</sup> grade and most rec	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade: _ cent 8 <sup>th</sup> grade report o	8 <sup>th</sup> Grace Grace Grace State Grace But the second state Grace Gra	ade: Copies of final ached.	
Monthly family income	before taxes (Check C	One)		
□<\$20	000	99	\$5999  \[ \\$6000 \to \$7999  \[ \] > \$80	000

Minimum or no points will be awarded to any sections left blank on this application All information provided by the candidate will be kept confidential  ${\rm Page}~3~{\rm of}~8$ 



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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 "Yes" please explain:	No If

### 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.

Church	Hours per Week	School	Hours per Week
Community	Hours per Week	Athletic	Hours per Week

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#### Part 3 – Essay

In the space provided below, write a 300 to 1,000-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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If more room is needed, please use back of page.
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, 2020.