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Monday, February 18, 2019

Dear Scholarship Applicant,

The **Tinley Park Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Program** has been established by the Board of Directors to recognize and support high school students who have demonstrated the potential to excel in their chosen field and the willingness to actively support the community through volunteerism and service. The Tinley Park Chamber of Commerce will award three \$1,500 scholarships in 2019.

Two of the scholarships will be awarded to students from Tinley Park High School and Victor J. Andrew High School. The third \$1,500 scholarship will be awarded to a graduating high school student who is the **son or daughter of a Tinley Park Chamber Member or an Employee of a Chamber Member**. Chamber Membership in good standing will be verified by the Chamber to confirm eligibility.

To be considered for the scholarship the application must be completed and submitted to the Tinley Park Chamber Office **NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, APRIL 8, 2019**.

Please submit completed applications to:

Email: info@tinleychamber.org

Mail: 17316 S. Oak Park Avenue, Tinley Park, IL 60477

Sincerely,

Julie Carlson

*Tinley Park Chamber of Commerce
Scholarship Committee Chairperson*



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Please complete the entire application and submit required documents listed on Page 3. Incomplete applications will be disqualified.

This scholarship is applicable to a graduating senior, of any High School, that is the child or employee of a current Tinley Park Chamber Member in good standing of the Tinley Park Chamber of Commerce.

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

Home Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

Home Telephone Number: _____ **Date of Birth:** _____

Email Address: _____

Current High School: Tinley Park High School Victor J. Andrew High School

Cumulative G.P.A. (Unweighted): _____ **Class Rank (end of 7th semester):** _____

Anticipated Graduation Date: _____

Parental Information:

Father/Male Guardian Name: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle Initial)

Father/Male Guardian Occupation: _____

Full-time Part-time Unemployed Retired

Employer (if applicable): _____

Mother/Female Guardian Name: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle Initial)

Mother/Female Guardian Occupation: _____

Full-time Part-time Unemployed Retired

Employer (if applicable): _____

Briefly explain how the Chamber Member business for which your parent is employed has been active in the Tinley Park Chamber of Commerce.

What vocation do you plan to pursue after high school? _____

Where do you plan to continue your education? (College/University, Trade School, etc.)

School Name: _____

School Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Telephone Number: _____

Please type, on a separate piece of paper, the answers to the following questions:

- List all school extracurricular activities and organizations that you have participated in while attending High School. Include all elective offices and awards/honors received.
- List all clubs, activities, service organizations, civic groups, or work experience in which you have participated *outside* of school.

In addition to the application, applicants must also include:

1. **Personal Narrative:** On a separate sheet, applicants are required to type, double-spaced, a personal statement.

The personal statement should:

- Explain why you wish to pursue your specific vocation and explain your future vocational plans and goals.
- Explain who or what influenced your vocational choice.
- Describe any work experience you have had, how that relates to your future vocational goals, and if you plan to be employed this coming summer.
- Describe what courses you plan to take in junior college, college or trade school.
- Describe how you plan to finance your education and whether or not you have or will receive additional scholarship or financial awards.
- Include any additional information that you feel will help the Scholarship Committee know you better (interests, hobbies, talents, etc.)

2. **Recommendation Letters*** (a total of 3 letters must be submitted)

A) Teachers: A letter of recommendation from **TWO** of your present or former teachers.

This letter should describe the applicant's:

- Character
- Accomplishments in the classroom
- Academic capabilities
- Potential success in your chosen vocational field

B) Adult Leader: A letter of recommendation from **ONE** other adult leader (may also be a teacher) who has supervised you as an employee or in an organized group setting. This should be a person who knows the applicant well.

Examples of adult leaders include:

- Present or former employer
- Adult leader/Sponsor/Coach of extracurricular club/organization.

*Recommendation letters can be sent directly to the Chamber Office but **MUST** clearly include the applicant's name on the letter itself. **Email:** info@tinleychamber.org **Mail:** 17316 S. Oak Park Ave, Tinley Park, IL 60477

****Completed Applications and required documents should be emailed, mailed or dropped off to the Tinley Park Chamber of Commerce Office at 17316 S Oak Park Avenue, Tinley Park, IL 60477 or info@tinleychamber.org by April 8th.**