

**The Rotary Club of Dulles  
International Airport**

**LeRoy Collins  
Annual Memorial  
Scholarship for College  
Applicants**



**For Qualifying High School Seniors**

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## Goal of Scholarship Program

To raise scholarship monies for high school student(s) graduating in 2024 who demonstrate academic excellence and would otherwise not have an opportunity to go to college.

**Scholarship amounts to be determined after fund-raising activities are completed.**

**PLEASE READ BELOW:** (more details page 5 & 6)

Attached you will find that half the paperwork is background information on the Rotary Club and Scholarship program.

It may seem like a lot of paper but here is a list of things needed to make the process less cumbersome. We have provided the space to fill out the information easily.

### **OVERVIEW OF PAPERWORK NEEDED (pages 8-13)**

1. Application
2. Financial Form
3. **Copy of FAFSA or SAR**
4. **Copy of Transcript**
5. **Reference Letters from 2 Teachers and/ or Counselors.**
6. **List of Virginia Colleges where you applied.**
7. **List of Scholarship applied for and those received.**
8. **List of Extracurricular Activities.**
9. **List of Honors received.**
10. **Short essay on why the scholarship is important to you.**
11. **Short Essay How you exemplify the Rotary's 4 Way Test.**

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**STUDENTS MAY CALL FOR HELP TO EITHER Georgia Graves 571-237-6200 or Rich McCary 703-606-0107 or email questions to: georgiagraves604@gmail.com and Rich McCary at remccary@comcast.net**

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## The Rotary Club of Dulles International Airport

### *History and Background*

The club was formed during the period of July 1979 through February 1980. On the night of February 23, 1980, the club charter was signed at Rotary International in Chicago. This coincided with the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of Rotary. **The club celebrates its 44<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of February 2024.**

Since its inception, the club and its members have been involved in both local and international charitable activities. The members participate in international activities through the Rotary Foundation. Locally the club has supported needy organizations through our Annual Golf Tournament Fundraiser, Annual Wind Dinner, and the support of local charities on a case-by-case basis.

## Club Service

### **International Service**

- Polio Plus program has virtually eradicated polio from the globe. Over 2 billion people have been immunized.
- Global Scholarships Program is the largest privately funded source of international scholarships with approximately 1,300 scholarships awarded annually.
- Group Studies Exchange: 568 Teams traveled to different countries in 1999-2000 with 8,000 total teams since 1965.

### **Community Service**

- Supports Cops for Kids
- Supports ECHO (Every Citizen Has Opportunity), ARC of Loudoun, ARC of Northern Virginia, and Service Source
- Annual Wine Dinner to raise monies for Scholarships
- Food Drives for those in Need working with the The Tree of Life And WFCM (Western Fairfax Christian Ministry)
- Donations to Numerous Local Causes

### **Vocational Services**

- Annual opportunities Open Golf Tournament for Various Causes
- Scout Sponsorship
- High School Interact Clubs
- Rotary Youth Leadership Awards

### **Club Services**

- Excellent speakers are selected from the local community
- Activities are selected to promote the club
- Membership acquisition and retention are key focus

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## LEROY COLLINS AND ROTARY

Before LeRoy Collins joined The Rotary Club of Dulles International Airport in 2005, he had already volunteered to help with our first project to raise money for scholarships for children in need. He helped plan and orchestrate the first Evening of Romance Fashion Show that was held at the Dulles Hilton on February 12, 2005.



The lobby of the Hilton became a New York Runway with seasoned photographers, professional models guiding local business and political celebrities to model exquisite clothes from the Leesburg Premium Outlets Stores and the event was attended by a huge crowd of enthusiasts who bid on the clothes worn by the celebrities. LeRoy fell in love with Rotary and became an advocate for our events to support our continued scholarship program through many changes over the years.

In 2006, we repeated our Evening of Romance followed by several years of our Music and Speech Competition Scholarships which brought out students from the entire region to compete and meet our Rotary family, local business and political leaders and a proud community.

In 2008, LeRoy made it possible for the The Rotary Club of Dulles International Airport to host the America's Pride Event in partnership with the Steven F. Udvar Hazy Center, on the grounds of the Dulles Hilton to support recuperating service members. LeRoy worked with hotel management to permit the large event to take place at the Hilton without inconveniencing hotel guests.

Besides a stage with incredible entertainment, like Katy Benko, Emma Baily, Second Wind and the American Originals Fife & Drum Corps, there was a chili cook-off, all American food and beverages, Magic Shows, Face Painting, Carnival Games, special guests' appearances and much more.

Over the next 5 years as LeRoy's management duties were expanded, he still found time to support Rotary. He would arrive every Friday in the very early A.M. hours and set-up for Rotary Meeting Space. Many of us were not even aware of his quiet dedication by this selfless act of support for our Rotary Club. LeRoy was the true example of Service Above Self.

Two of his most cherished moments in Rotary were becoming a Paul Harris Fellow and receiving the 2007-2008 Rotarian of the Year Award.

The Annual LeRoy Collins Memorial Scholarship will live on to remind us of the example of a great man, a gentle giant, a true Rotarian.

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**Object of Rotary**

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

1. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
2. High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
3. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business and community life;
4. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

**The Rotarian's 4-WAY TEST**  
**Of the things we think, say, or do:**

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL And better FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to ALL concerned?

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## **Student Requirements and Selection Criteria**

### **Requirements:**

1. Candidate must be a graduating senior in **2024**, and **must reside in and attend a high school in the Northern Virginia area.**
2. Candidate must be attending an **in-state college or university or community college in the fall 2024** for consideration for this scholarship.
3. Candidate must be a legal resident of the Commonwealth of Virginia.
4. Candidate must supply **TWO** letters of recommendation by a **Counselor** and/or teacher in his/her related field.
5. Candidate must provide copy of transcript from his/her high school verifying grade point average. Grade point average must be 3.0 or higher.
6. Consideration will be given to a candidate who is first in his/her family to attend college but this is not mandatory.
7. Candidate must provide a statement verifying financial need. **Copy of FAFSA or SAR.**
8. Candidates must disclose where they have applied for other scholarship and if they have received scholarships from other sources.
9. Candidates will be evaluated in order by the following criteria:
  - a. Need
  - b. Community Service
  - c. Grade Point average
10. Deadline for this scholarship is **March 28, 2024**. Application packages to be turned into the Career Center Specialist at you high school or emailed to Rich McCary at [remccary@comcast.net](mailto:remccary@comcast.net). Finalists will be selected by the Rotary Club of Dulles International Airport Scholarship Review Committee and interviews will be held to make the final selections.
11. Scholarship monies awarded must be used in the applicant's freshman year at college.

### **Selection Criteria:**

1. Financial need. This is the Rotary's most important criteria.
2. Strong background in community service & helping others.
3. A 3.0 Grade Point Average (GPA) or better.
4. Merits of the college program or curriculum sought.
5. Ability and a sincere interest in pursuing a college degree.
6. Recommendations of teachers and school counselors.

### **Additional Information:**

1. The Rotary plans to give one or more scholarships with the amount to be determined after fundraising events are finalized.
2. Applicants should show interest in community service and possible interest in Rotary.
3. Finalist will be asked to attend an interview for the selection committee to make their final recommendations.
4. Winners are expected to attend Rotary meetings to inform membership on their progress.
5. Winners will be expected to assist with scholarship fund-raiser.
6. It is the hope of The Rotary Club of Dulles International Airport to entice students to learn about Rotary and Service Above Self. We know that getting financing for four years is always a challenge...especially in these times.

**BY THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF DULLES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, THE SELECTION COMMITTEE WILL BE THE SOLE GOVERNING BODY AWARDING THE SCHOLARSHIP ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF DULLES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, AND ITS MEMBERSHIP.**

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**Student Application**

*Type or Print Neatly in Black Ink*

*Please fill in as completely as possible. Answers must fit in the space provided, DO NOT ATTACH ANY DOCUMENTATION UNLESS REQUESTED*

**Student Application - CHECK LIST - DO NOT SUBMIT with application**

1. DID I PROVIDE INFORMATION THAT SUBSTANTIATES MY ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND GRADE POINT AVERAGE WITH COPY OF TRANSCRIPT?
  
2. DID I PROVIDE REQUIRED FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO VALIDATE FINANCIAL NEED (PART II)?
  
3. DID I FILL OUT NEATLY OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION AS THOROUGHLY AS POSSIBLE?
  
4. HAVE I ATTACHED TWO LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION FROM SCHOOL COUNSELORS AND TEACHERS WHO CAN EXPOUND ON ME AND MY ACCOMPLISHMENTS?
  
5. DID I COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS OF THE FORMS PROVIDED?  
(IMPORTANT PAGES THAT MUST BE RETURNED: PAGES 8 THROUGH 13)



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APPLICANT TO KEEP THIS PAGE**

**Guidelines for Teacher/Counselor's Recommendation Letter**

**Attention Teachers/Counselor:**

In order for the student to qualify your letter must be a part of the student's application package turned in to the School Counseling Specialist on or before **March 28, 2024**

- How long have you known the applicant?
- Describe the growth and development of the student
- How diversified is the student with school activities?
- How is the student's overall academic performance?
- How well does the student adapt to the other members of the class, school, etc.?
- How has the student participated within the community where he/she resides?
- What future course or plan of study has been discussed with the student?
- What guidance have you provided?
- Why would you want this scholarship to be awarded to this student?

**IMPORTANT CRITERIA**

- Please provide verification that the student overall grade point average is a 3.0 or better
- Please provide verification that financial assistance is necessary for the student to go to college (additional financial statement documentation will be provided for required completion)

***Student Please Note:*** Applicants are to provide above guidelines to Teachers/Counselors, who will be providing recommendation(s).

**ATTENTION TEACHERS:**

Since we receive applications from local students, we may receive applications from more than one of your students. Please help us in our decision-making by ensuring your letter of recommendation is unique to the student.

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**Student Application - Part I**

*Please fill in as completely as possible.*

1. NAME OF CANDIDATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First M.I.

2. HOME ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Town/City State Zip Code

3. HOME TELEPHONE NO.: \_\_\_\_\_ STUDENT'S CELL PH #: \_\_\_\_\_

4. NAME OF HIGH SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_

5. PRESENT GRADE LEVEL\*: \_\_\_\_\_

6. DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_

7. **STUDENT'S EMAIL ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_ -

**\* Student must be a graduating senior in 2024**

The decision to apply for the Annual LeRoy Collins Memorial Scholarship overseen by The Rotary Club of Dulles International Airport is my own, and I will abide by the regulations explained in the Program Requirements and Criteria for Selecting Candidates. The responses contained in the student application form are my own.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Candidate

*To be completed by Parent or Guardian*

**Parent or Guardian:**

With whom does the student reside: Parent Guardian

FULL NAME OF PARENT/GUARDIAN: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE NO. \_\_\_\_\_ PARENTS EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

I, the parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, permit him/her to be considered as a scholarship candidate for the Annual LeRoy Collins Memorial Scholarship Program overseen by The Rotary Club of Dulles International Airport. I understand that if he/she is selected to receive the scholarship, the monies must be used for the completion of the College program or curriculum noted on the application. Further, I understand that the grant does not imply any additional financial support, and if accepted, my child will be responsible for the remainder of costs, if any.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Parent/Guardian

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Financial Statement Form – Part II**

**I. Student Employment (Includes full or part-time during the last two years):**

|          |              |                    |                 |
|----------|--------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Employer | Type of Work | Employed From: To: | Weekly Earnings |
|----------|--------------|--------------------|-----------------|

Amount you have saved toward higher education:

|                          |            |               |
|--------------------------|------------|---------------|
| <b>II. Family Income</b> | Occupation | Annual Income |
| Father                   |            |               |
| Mother                   |            |               |
| *Other                   |            |               |
| Total Family Income      |            |               |

\*Specify by source, such as Social Security, Veteran's benefits, income of other family members, or investment income.  
**Copy of FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) or SAR (Student Aid Report) must be submitted with this application.**

**III. Estimated Expenses for One School Year: WHAT COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY? \_\_\_\_\_**

|                          |                          |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Tuition & Fees           | Transportation           |
| Room & Board             | Clothing                 |
| Books & Supplies         | Laundry                  |
| Medical, incl. Insurance | Other                    |
|                          | Total Estimated Expenses |

**IV. Expected Financial Resources (per year):**

|                     |                          |
|---------------------|--------------------------|
| From Family         | From Other Scholarships  |
| From Earnings       | From Contributions       |
| *From other Sources | College Financial Aid    |
|                     | Total Expected Resources |

\*Specify by source, such as trust funds, insurance, etc.

**V. Other Dependents in Family**

|      |     |                            |
|------|-----|----------------------------|
| Name | Age | If student, name of school |
|------|-----|----------------------------|

I/We declare the information in this application and financial statement to be true and accurate, to the best of my/our knowledge.

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|----------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Signature of Student | Signature of Parent(s) or Guardian(s) |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------|

I authorize the release of grade transcript to the Scholarship Committee so that he/she may be considered for this scholarship.

|                      |      |  |      |
|----------------------|------|--|------|
| Signature of Student | Date | Signature of Parent if student is<br>under 18 years of age | Date |
|----------------------|------|--|------|

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**Student Background Information – Part III**

***Note: Please list other scholarship applications (and name of organization) that have been submitted and list any scholarships received to date***

**Accepted by (colleges or universities)**

**Scholarship Received to Date**

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Class Rank \_\_\_\_\_ GPA \_\_\_\_\_

Scholastic Honors

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**Student Background Information – Part III (cont.)**

*Additional pages may be attached.*

**Extra-curricular Activities (include number of years and offices held):**

**Community Activities (include number of years and offices held):**

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**Student Essay – Part IV**

*Additional pages may be attached.*

**Please describe your family life and background as well as why you need and will benefit from this scholarship.**

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**Student Essay – Part IV (cont.)**

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**Please write an essay discussing how you would exemplify the 4-Way Test of Rotary.**

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