

**THE CITY OF JEFFERSONVILLE/CLARK COUNTY
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. HOLIDAY CELEBRATION COMMITTEE**

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION GUIDELINES

The Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Program is designed and managed by the Jeffersonville/Clark County Holiday Celebration Committee. The MLK Holiday Celebration Committee seeks to encourage community service, personal responsibility and educational achievement among the citizenry of Clark County. You do not need any special qualifications to enter. You just need to be good at being yourself and have a real desire to succeed. Awards are granted without regard to race, color, creed, religion, disability, or national origin.

WHO CAN ENTER?

Applicants must be Clark County residents and attending or planning to attend an accredited post-secondary institution.

WHAT IS THE VALUE OF THE SCHOLARSHIP?

This is a \$500 scholarship.

HOW TO APPLY

This year due to COVID-19 all scholarship applications must be submitted by email. Please complete all sections of the application. Use the check list on the last page of the application to make sure all documents are attached before the application is submitted by **email** to:

MLK Scholarship Committee
C/O Dr. Brian Allred
Email: ballred@clarksvilleschools.org

Applications must be received by February 26, 2021.

Please follow the directions on the application, complete and answer each question on the application and do not send photos or videotapes. Incomplete applications will not be considered or accepted. If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Brian Allred at ballred@clarksvilleschools.org

HOW WINNERS ARE SELECTED

Scholarship recipients will be selected on the basis of: academic record, involvement in leadership activities, volunteerism, participation in school, letters of recommendations, and community activities. In addition, an applicant's work experience and special talents will be considered. Financial need will not be considered.

PAYMENT OF SCHOLARSHIPS

Checks will be awarded at the Scholarship recipients Senior Awards and Honors Program in the spring and made payable to the student. Scholarships are non-transferable.

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

All information must be filled out completely on the application form. Please print or type. Need official transcript with school seal, stamp or administration signature. Letters of Recommendation, and essay must be submitted with completed application by email. **Application deadline is February 26, 2021.**

Name Last _____ First _____ M.I. _____

Address Street Address _____ Apt. # _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Home (____) _____ Cell (____) _____

Date of Birth Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

Parent/Guardian Last _____ First _____ M.I. _____

Cell Telephone (____) _____ Work Telephone (____) _____

SCHOOL INFORMATION

Cumulative grade point average: _____ / 4.0 scale or _____ / _____ scale

School Name _____ Current grade _____ Graduation Mo/Yr _____

School Official's Signature _____ Title _____

Telephone (____) _____ Date _____

LEADERSHIP, AWARDS AND ACTIVITIES

List all special awards, honors and leadership positions/offices held. Use an additional sheet, if necessary.

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER SERVICE

List and describe the volunteer service activities in which you have participated without pay in your community. Community volunteer service could be a student's volunteerism in programs or projects which have made a visible and tangible difference in the community. School projects that fit these criteria are also eligible. If more space is needed, you may continue on a separate page in the same format, and attach to the application. Be sure to include your name on any additional pages.

Name of Activity	What was the goal of the activity?	What role did you play?	Name/Phone Number of Volunteer Supervisor
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			
6.			

ESSAY

The essay must be between 500-750 words. It must be typed. Include your name and address in the upper left-hand corner of the page. Attach the essay to the application.

Choose **one volunteer experience** and briefly describe how the experience made a visible, tangible difference in the lives of others and/or in the community. Describe what happened in your life or in the life of your family as a result of your volunteer service experience.

Remember that families are unique. Families can include parents, grandparents, siblings, guardians, relatives, or close friends.

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LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

APPLICANT'S NAME _____ SCHOOL _____

APPLICANT'S INFORMATION – Give this reference statement to at least **three (3)** adults who know you well enough to be able to provide the committee with some insight into the personal qualities that you possess as well as your ability to accept leadership responsibilities. **No application will be accepted without three (3) letters of recommendation.** **The application deadline is February 26, 2021.**

REFERENCE INFORMATION - Please complete the letter of recommendation and return in a sealed envelope to your student or their high school guidance counselor. Make sure the student's name is on the outside of the envelope with "Letter of Recommendation" on the front of the envelope.

How do you know the applicant? _____

Please check a response to each of the following statements:

The applicant's ability to show concern for others: _____ extremely strong _____ very strong _____ moderate _____ poor

The quality of applicant's commitment to school and community: _____ extremely strong _____ very strong _____ moderate _____ poor

The applicant's demonstration of initiative in academic and/or other activities: _____ extremely strong _____ very strong _____ moderate _____ poor

The applicant's follow-through with assignments and tasks: _____ extremely strong _____ very strong _____ moderate _____ poor

Please give a detailed statement: Use an additional sheet, if necessary.

Name _____ Title _____ Telephone (____) _____

Date _____

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

This application becomes complete and valid only when you have submitted the following. Incomplete applications will not be considered or accepted.

- _____ Scholarship Application (Filled out, signed, and completed)
- _____ Original Current School Year Transcript of Grades with School Seal/Signature
- _____ Essay (Typed 500-750 words)
- _____ Letters of Recommendation (At least 3)

Email completed scholarship application to:

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CERTIFICATION

I certify that the information provided in this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Falsification of any information will cause disqualification from the scholarship program.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date _____

Signature of School Counselor or Official: _____ Date _____