KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

FATHER HENRY KEMPER COUNCIL

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

 GRADUATING SENIOR 2025

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

$ 5,000.00

SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY

1. Student must be a graduating Senior with plans to attend a University, a

2-year College, or Technical Trade School.

1. Students planning to attend a four-year University must have a minimum High School GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
2. Students planning on attending a two-year College or Trade School must have a Minimum High School GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.
3. On-Line Universities are not eligible for the Scholarship

General Instructions for Completing the Application

Applications must be either typed or hand-written, and must be **LEGIBLE**. **Any application deemed not legible by the Scholarship Committee will be disqualified**.

Applications will be picked up by the Knights of Columbus Scholarship Committee in the counselor/scholarship coordinator’s office on **Thursday,** **March 27th**. Therefore, each applicant must submit his or her completed application to the school counselor in sufficient time for the counselor to complete his or her portion of the application. Please coordinate with your counselor as to the date you should submit the application to the office.

As stated, the Knights of Columbus Committee will pick up all completed applications on **Thursday, March 27th**. ***Applications not received by the due date will not be considered****.*

APPLICATION & SCHOLARSHIP PROCEDURES

The Kerrville Knights of Columbus Father Kemper Council Scholarship Committee will evaluate all completed and qualifying applications. One applicant will be chosen to receive this year’s scholarship through an evaluation process – a process established by the scholarship committee prior to the review of any applicant’s file.

The scholarship is for $5,000.00, $625.00 per semester for 8 semesters.

The *semester* *amount* of a scholarship ($ 625.00) will be paid directly to the College, University, or Technical Trade School. **Confirmation by the Institution of the Student’s** **acceptance at that Institution** **must be provided to the Knights of Columbus prior to releasing any scholarship monies to the institution. The student is** **similarly RESPONSIBLE** **for** **providing the council with the appropriate contact information for the College, University, or Trade School for disbursing any funds to the educational institution.**

The second semester payment is contingent on the student COMPLETING a full course load (Minimum of 12 semester hours) and with a minimum of a passing grade in each course taken. To receive the second semester payment **the student must provide a COPY OF A CURRENT GRADE REPORT, INCLUDING SEMESTER HOURS CARRIED,** to the Council for verification. Also any change in the College, University, or Trade School's payment process shall be provided. This information should be sent to:

Knights of Columbus, Father Henry Kemper Council 6409

Attn: Mike Douville, Treasurer

P. O. Box 291492 - 1492

Kerrville, TX 78029

E-Mail to MADCPA@MADCPA.COM

**IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE “CONTINUING” STUDENTS TO PROVIDE A COPY OF THEIR CURRENT GRADE REPORT AND COURSE LOAD FROM THE SCHOOL OR UNIVERSITY FOR THE REMAINING 6 SEMESTERS.**

**SPECIFIC APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

**Each applicant will need to include a most-recent copy of his or her high school transcript, signed by the appropriate school official.**

Students must fill out the application **completely**. The application can either be typed or handwritten. If handwritten, it should be completed in block print and **LEGIBLE**. A **TYPED** application is **preferred** by the Scholarship Committee and would be appreciated. A summary of each section of the application with any special instructions or examples can be found below. Examples are not all inclusive and an applicant may have been involved in other activities that should be included.

PERSONAL CONTACT INFORMATION: This section of the application is critical. The information provided should be a current mailing address and contact numbers where we can get in touch with the applicant if needed.

ACADEMIC INFORMATION: This section must be completed by the applicant’s school counselor. If the counselor prefers to attach a form from the school, the committee will accept it so long as the form is signed by the School Counselor and contains the information requested on the application.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION: This information is important in determining the financial need of the applicant. Please note that some scholarships an applicant may receive will have limitations on the amount of additional resources that can be accepted by the applicant in future scholarship awards. If you receive a large scholarship or grant from a different source, please notify us immediately, this may affect your eligibility.

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: This section should include activities in which you participated while in High School. Some examples include any groups or clubs such as the Business Club, Student Council, NHS, FFA, etc. as well as any Extra Curricular activities such as Sports, Dance Team, Band, Academic Triathlon, UIL or TAPPSs Academics, Mock Trial, or Livestock Shows.

COMMUNITY SERVICE: This section should list your involvement with community service projects over the last 4 years, done outside of school activities. This may include things like: Helping Hand, Visiting Nursing Homes, Visiting our Veterans in the VA Hospital, Local Food Bank, Recycle Drives, Roadside Cleanups, etc.

SERVICE TO CHURCH: You may have participated in activities such as Assisting with Vacation Bible School, Church Festivals, Cemetery Cleanups, Assisting Other Organizations (that are part of your Church), or Other Opportunities through your Church.

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS: For Example: Are you now involved or have you ever been involved in 4H? Are you a member and involved in Volunteer Organizations such as a Volunteer Fire Department, Etc.?

ESSAYS: There are **FOUR** **REQUIRED** Essays. While proper writing style is appreciated, **CONTENT** is the most important factor to consider. The Scholarship Committee only has limited opportunities to get insight into your thoughts, hopes, desires and future goals. These Essays will assist them in developing a picture as to who you are and who you want to become. The essays are to be printed or typed (word-processed) on separate sheets of paper.

**Application Form**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FATHER HENRY KEMPER COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

PERSONAL CONTACT INFORMATION:

NAME:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER OR STUDENT ID NUMBER (issued by the School you will be attending): ***Not Needed at this Time***

ADDRESS:

TELEPHONE #:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

FATHER’S NAME/ or GUARDIAN:

FATHER’S OCCUPATION:

FATHER’S EMPLOYER:

MOTHER’S NAME/ or GUARDIAN:

MOTHER’S OCCUPATION:

MOTHER’S EMPLOYER:

PARENTS MARITAL STATUS: (Check one of the following.)

\_\_\_\_\_\_MARRIED DIVORCED \_\_\_\_\_\_ SEPARATED

 SINGLE FATHER or MOTHER

WHAT COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OR TECHNICAL SCHOOL DO YOU PLAN TO ATTEND?

HAVE YOU BEEN ACCEPTED? (circle one) YES NO

IN WHAT SUBJECT DO YOU INTEND TO MAJOR? (EXAMPLES: EDUCATION, ENGINEERING, BUSINESS, LAW, MEDICINE, SCIENCE, LIBERAL ARTS, Etc.)

ACADEMIC INFORMATION:

**THIS SECTION IS TO BE FILLED IN BY THE SCHOOL COUNSELOR.**

APPLICANT’S COLLEGE ENTRANCE SCORES:

 SAT VERBAL \_\_\_\_\_\_ SAT MATH ACT \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

APPLICANT’S R ANK IN CLASS CLASS SIZE

APPLICANT’S GRADE POINT AVERAGE:

Has this applicant completed and submitted a FAFSA application? **YES NO**

COUNSELOR’S SIGNATURE\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

DATE SIGNED

*Each application must contain a school copy of the student's transcript.*

***All following sections of the Application are to be completed by the applicant.***

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

**GROSS** ANNUAL FAMILY INCOME: (Check one.)

 \_\_\_\_\_UP TO $20,000 $20,000 TO $35,000

 \_\_\_\_\_$35,000 TO $50,000 $50,000 TO $70,000

 \_\_\_\_\_$70,000 TO $90,000 $90,000 TO $120,00

 \_\_\_\_\_ $120,000 TO $150,000 $150,000 TO $180,000

 $180,000 +

HAVE YOU COMPLETED YOUR FAFSA (Federal Student Aid Form) APPLICATION? (circle one)

YES NO

 # OF CHILDREN IN THE FAMILY: \_\_\_\_\_\_

 # OF CHILDREN STILL AT HOME: \_\_\_\_\_\_

 # IN COLLEGE OR TRADE SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_\_

HAVE YOU APPLIED FOR OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS? (circle one)

YES NO

HAVE YOU RECEIVED ANY OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS? FROM WHOM? AND WHAT IS THE AMOUNT OF EACH ONE?

(Check One.) DO YOU PLAN TO LIVE:

 ON CAMPUS OFF CAMPUS

IF *OFF CAMPUS*, WILL YOU BE LIVING AT HOME? (Circle One.)

YES NO

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

List School Groups, Clubs or Extra Curriculars that you have participated in during High School and any special recognitions or awards received. List the organization, the year(s) involved, and any recognitions or awards.

1. Organization

 Year(s)

Recognitions/Awards

2. Organization

 Year(s)

Recognitions/Awards

3. Organization

 Year(s)

Recognitions/Awards

4. Organization

 Year(s)

Recognitions/Awards

5. Organization

 Year(s)

Recognitions/Awards

(If additional space is required, use a separate sheet of paper and attach the sheet to the application. Check here \_\_\_\_ , if you are attaching a separate sheet of paper.)

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

List All Community Service Projects you have been involved with and any special recognitions or awards received in the last 4 years.

1. Organization

Year(s)

Recognitions/Awards

Short Description of Service

Estimated # of Hours of Service:

2. Organization

Year(s)

Recognitions/Awards

Short Description of Service

 Estimated # of Hours of Service:

3. Organization

Year(s)

Recognitions/Awards

Short Description of Service

Estimated # of Hours of Service:

4. Organization

Year(s)

Recognitions/Awards

Short Description of Service

 Estimated # of Hours of Service:

5. Organization

Year(s)

Recognitions/Awards

Short Description of Service

 Estimated # of Hours of Service:

(If additional space is required, use a separate sheet of paper and attach to the application. Check here \_\_\_\_ , if you are attaching a separate sheet of paper.)

TOTAL HOURS OF COMMUNITY SERVICE:

SERVICE TO YOUR CHURCH:

List All Church Affiliated programs you have participated in and any ways you have assisted or offered special services to your Church Community. Please use the following table to list your programs.

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| --- | --- | --- |
| **Year** **Involved** | **Program Name** | **# Hours of Service** |
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Church Name:

City or Town:

Pastor's Name:

(If more space is required for additional church projects or for additional churches, use a separate sheet of paper and attached it to the application. Check here \_\_\_\_ , if you are attaching a separate sheet of paper.)

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

Have you been involved in 4-H Activities? (circle one) YES NO

If so, what 4-H organizations?

If so, how many years total?

If so, what was your most successful project?

If so, any award(s)? (Circle One) YES NO If so, what award(s)?

LIST ANY OTHER ORGANIZATIONS in which you were involved, listing the activities and the years you were involved:

(If more space is required for additional organizations, use a separate sheet of paper and attached it to the application. Check here \_\_\_\_ , if you are attaching a separate sheet of paper.)

WORK EXPERIENCE

EMPLOYER

DUTIES/RESPONSIBILITIES

TIME EMPLOYED (MONTH AND YEAR)

EMPLOYER

DUTIES/RESPONSIBILITIES

TIME EMPLOYED (MONTH AND YEAR)

(If additional space is required, use a separate sheet of paper and attach it to the application. Check here \_\_\_\_ , if you are attaching a separate sheet of paper.)

FOUR ESSAYS

Write your 4 essays on separate sheets of paper, numbering each essay corresponding to the essay number given below, and enclose the essays with the application. **You need to limit your responses to a maximum of 150 words.**

#1. Write an Essay of between 50 to 150 words on the topic of:

**“THE IMPORTANCE OF CHURCH AND COMMUNITY**

**IN MY LIFE”**

#2. Write an Essay of between 50 to 150 words on the topic of:

**“WHAT HAVE YOU DONE TO PREPARE FOR COLLEGE?”**

#3. Write an Essay of between 50 to 150 words on the topic of:

**“WHAT WOULD THIS SCHOLARSHIP MEAN TO YOU?”**

#4. Write an Essay of between 50 to 150 words.

**“FUTURE GOALS: DESCRIBE YOUR PLANS AFTER YOU COMPLETE COLLEGE OR TECHNICAL TRAINING.”**

RETURN THE COMPLETED APPLICATION AND ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION TO YOUR SCHOOL COUNSELOR WHO, IN TURN WILL DELIVER IT TO THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN. **BE SURE TO SIGN AND HAVE A PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGN THE APPLICATION CERTIFICATION BELOW.**

NOTE: The **Recipient of the Scholarship will be required** to provide the appropriate school information concerning where payments must be sent by August 20, 2025 so payments can be forwarded to the School for the Fall Semester. That information is to be sent to the Knights of Columbus Treasurer, whose address is listed on page 2 “Application/Scholarship Procedures.”

**APPLICANT’S CERTIFICATION**

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT ALL INFORMATION REPORTED ON THIS APPLICATION IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE. I GIVE MY RESPECTIVE SCHOOL PERMISSION TO RELEASE INFORMATION REGARDING MY ACADEMIC AND/OR FINANCIAL STATUS TO THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE.

**PARENT OR/ GUARDIAN MUST VERIFY AND SIGN THIS FORM.**

**STUDENT SIGNATURE**

**PARENT SIGNATURE**

 **DATE**

**Checklist for Submitting the Application**

 **Have you completed each section of the scholarship application?**

 **Have you included the Four Essay Responses on separate pieces of paper and limited each response to a maximum of 150 words?**

 **Have you and your parent/guardian signed the Applicant's Certification?**

 **Have you made arrangements to include a school copy of your high school transcript?**

 **If you had to used additional pieces of paper to answer some sections of the application, have you included those papers with your application.**

***Once completed, return your application to your school counselor's office.***

**Thank you for participating in the Knights of Columbus Scholarship Program, and we wish you the best success in your future studies and endeavors.**

-***- The Knights of Columbus of the Father Henry Kemper Council***