Shawano Area Writers

Scholarship Application

NAME OF APPLICANT:

ADDRESS:

GRADUATING SPRING 2020 FROM (HIGH SCHOOL):

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE:

By your signature you confirm you meet the application criteria on the reverse of this form.

TEACHER, PRINCIPAL, GUIDANCE COUNSELOR, OR PARENT WHO CONFIRMS APPLICANT MEETS APPLICATION CRITERIA (NAME):

NAME:

PHONE:

SIGNATURE:

By your signature you confirm the applicant named above meets the application criteria on the reverse of this form.

Print and mail this form, with your application essay, to Shawano Area Writers, P.O. Box 657, Shawano, WI 54166, or email it as an attachment to shawano.writers.scholarship@gmail.com.

SHAWANO AREA WRITERS SCHOLARSHIP RULES

The Shawano Area Writers Scholarship provides financial assistance to a graduating high school senior living or going to school in Shawano or Menominee County who will pursue a writing-related degree (journalism, creative writing, English, etc.) from an accredited post-secondary institution. The scholarship provides \$2,000, non-renewable, to be applied to tuition, fees, room and board, books and other college expenses. To receive consideration, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- be a graduating high school senior (public, private, or home schooled),
- reside in Shawano or Menominee County, Wisconsin,
- pursue a writing-related post-secondary degree the upcoming fall semester,
- complete the application process, including the writing sample.

The application form can be downloaded from the Shawano Area Writers' web site (<u>http://shawanoareawriters.org/</u>). Applicants must submit a completed form (including the name and signature of a teacher or parent who confirms the student meets the criteria above), and a writing sample (500 words minimum, 1,000 words maximum) responding to the following prompt:

What inspires you to improve your writing skills? What life goals will being a writer help you achieve?

Email the completed form and your essay (attached as a doc, rtf, .docx, odt, or pdf file) to <u>shawano.writers.scholarship@gmail,com</u> or send it by U.S. Mail to Shawano Area Writers, P.O. Box 657, Shawano, WI 54166.

Essays must be written in English and formatted with 1-inch margins, standard 12-pt font, double spacing, paragraphs indented ½ inch, and page numbers in the lower right. Entries should include a title page with the applicant's name and contact information, but the writer's name should appear nowhere else in the document.

Plagiarism will disqualify any entry. Essays will be scanned for copied material. If you quote someone make certain you cite them properly. Grammar and punctuation count. Take time to review and edit so your essay is polished and error free.

Deadline for entry is midnight, May 19, 2020. Your essay will be judged by members of the Shawano Area Writers club or their designees. Their decision is final. The Shawano Area Writers club may elect not to award the scholarship if they determine no application is satisfactory. The winner will be notified before June 30, 2020. Unsuccessful applicants will not be notified and no entries will be returned.

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