



## Scholarship Guidelines

The Deer Park Arts Council (DPAC) presents scholarships to deserving students who meet the criteria determined by the Scholarship Committee and approved by the DPAC membership.

The scholarships include a monetary award and a *Certificate of Recognition*. **The application must be returned to the address noted below or DPAC school mailbox no later than May 6, 2016.**

The Committee evaluates each candidate on the following criteria:

- The application must be completed in full and verified by the teacher in your art discipline.
- The candidate must have a grade point average of 80 or higher.
- **Student and/or parent must have completed 8 hours of volunteer service for DPAC.**
- Candidate must show strong school and/or community involvement.
- Candidate must submit a typewritten essay (300 – 500 words) on the following topic:  
*“What inspired you to pursue the arts and how will you incorporate the arts and what it has taught you into your career/future?”*

**DO NOT SIGN THE ESSAY. IF YOUR NAME IS ON THE ESSAY YOU WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.**

The final selection will be made at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee whose decision is final.

The scholarship check will be paid directly to the award recipient **subject to proof of enrollment in an accredited college or university.**

*Place your unsigned essay in a plain envelope and submit with your application in another envelope addressed to the address below.*

Please note that **May 6<sup>th</sup> is the final cutoff date for all submissions. Applications postmarked or received through the DPAC school mailbox after May 6<sup>th</sup> will not be considered.** Mailed applications are sent to:

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