

## **Dodge Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Application**

### **SCHOLARSHIP**

The Dodge Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce that one \$1000.00 scholarship will be awarded to a high school senior that deserves assistance covering tuition expenses associated with higher education.

**Applications will be accepted between March 1 and April 1 of each year, postmarked by April 1<sup>st</sup>. Award recipient will be notified by May 5<sup>th</sup>.**

As a Business and Agriculture Community, we must remain committed to growth and the future of our community. Each year the Dodge Chamber of Commerce recognizes a local high school senior for their outstanding academic achievements, extra curricular strengths and civil/community involvement. The scholarship recipient should show exemplary academic discipline, community mindfulness, club/organization involvement and leadership abilities and have chosen to continue education to college, university or formal vocational training. The scholarship monies awarded are the result of the generosity of members of the Dodge Chamber of Commerce and the Dodge community-at-large, through their commitment of time, monetary donations, fund raising and resources.

Two payments, one each of \$500.00 per semester from the Dodge Chamber of Commerce will be paid directly to the post-secondary institution. Recipient will have until December 31<sup>st</sup> of award year to make final arrangements of scholarship funds.

### **GENERAL CRITERIA**

- **MUST** be a citizen or resident of the United States of America. If the applicant's transcript reflects a place of birth other than the United States, appropriate proof of citizenship must be furnished (i.e., a copy of the photo page of a valid U.S. passport, copy of Naturalization certificate or a birth certificate for U.S. Citizen Born Abroad).
- **MUST** be a high school graduating senior.
- **MUST** be accepted to an accredited post-secondary educational institution and enrolled within 6 months of graduation.
- **MUST** register as a full-time student.
- **MUST** have a 2.75 or better cumulative High School Grade Point Average (GPA), provide verification at the completion of the first semester of senior year.

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**APPLICATION FORM**

**DATE:**

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Currently Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA): \_\_\_\_\_

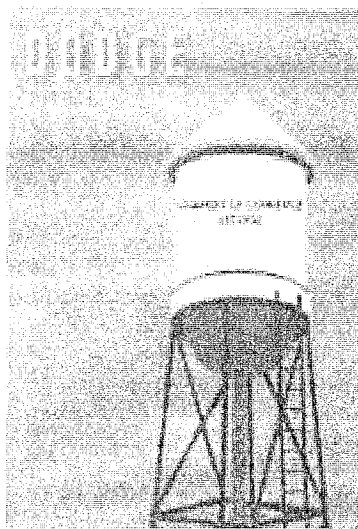
Name of Post-Secondary Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Post-Secondary Institution Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Post-Secondary Institution Start Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Intended Major: \_\_\_\_\_



- **MUST** provide two signed letters of recommendation from people who have known you for more than 2 years and who are not related to you. One of the letters must be from a teacher.
- A face to face interview may be required as well as newspaper recognition and attendance at a monthly Dodge Chamber of Commerce Meeting.
- **MUST** volunteer community service (minimum of 5 hours) in a Dodge service organization or one of the affiliated Dodge Chamber of Commerce Businesses or events.

## APPLICATION GUIDELINES

- Submit all information on 8 ½ X 11 sheets of plain white paper.
- Complete a cover page; including your full name, address, High School, signature and date.
- The application has 5 short answer questions and a three part essay; please retype the question above each answer. Answer the questions in no more than 150 words and the essay in no more than 500 words.
- Weighted consideration will be given to answers and essays demonstrating excellent grammar, spelling, punctuation and the ability to express themselves.

## SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. What are your interests and accomplishments?
2. What are your future plans and life goals?
3. What is your reason(s) for pursuing your chosen career path?
4. When did a time for "hard work" pay off?
5. What was your experience with your Community service or Chamber of Commerce business volunteering?

## THREE PART ESSAY QUESTION

If you were to return to your community following your education,

1. How would you be involved in the community?
2. What would you do to improve it?
3. How does your chosen career help accomplish these improvements?

## SUBMISSION

1. Cover Page
2. Application Form
3. Short answer questions and answers
4. Essay
5. Unopened official High School Transcript

6. Resume'
7. Two letter of recommendation, one obtained from a teacher
8. A copy of your post-secondary acceptance notification
9. A signed letter of volunteer completion from a Dodge service organization or Chamber of Commerce representative

**Please send completed and organized applications to:**

**Dodge Chamber of Commerce  
Attn: Scholarship Committee  
PO Box 105  
Dodge, NE 68633**