



2023 Scholarship Application

For more than 20 years, the Chamber has supported the education of students majoring in the arts, sciences, engineering, and many other disciplines. Students come from every background and bring with them a diverse approach to impacting change in the world around them. Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce Scholarship recognizes high school seniors for their academic performance, leadership skills and community engagement. We provide scholarships to help young people further their education and better compete in tomorrow's workforce.

Application Deadline: Applications and supporting documentation must be received by **Friday, May 5, 2023** to Scholarships@bloomfieldchamber.org. Award notifications will be made in June 2023.

CRITERIA

To be considered for a scholarship during this application season, review the criteria and complete the application by the deadline.

- **Students must be a current resident of Bloomfield, CT, but do not need to attend school in Bloomfield, CT to be eligible.**
- Demonstrate ambition, self-drive, leadership, academic achievement and a commitment to community service.
- Currently enrolled as a high school senior
- Plan to enroll in full-time undergraduate study at an accredited two- or four-year college or university or vocational-technical college in the United States for the entire 2023–2024 academic year.
- Have a minimum GPA of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale (or its equivalent)
- Submit a completed application by the designated deadline, Friday, May 5, 2023.

WHAT WILL BE AWARDED?

The Chamber will award three (3) \$1,000 scholarships for the 2023 academic year to the selected recipients.

APPLICATION SUBMISSIONS

- All applications should be completed by the student and submitted directly by the student.
- Completed application packets (including supporting documentation) must be submitted as **one (1) pdf file** to: Scholarships@bloomfieldchamber.org by **Friday, May 5, 2023 at 11:59 p.m.**
- Letters of Recommendation may be submitted under separate cover to Scholarships@bloomfieldchamber.org by the **Friday, May 5, 2023 deadline**.



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Read the application carefully. Incomplete packets or packets submitted after the May 5th, 2023 deadline will not be considered.

Section 1 - Provide the following information:

- Applicant Name and Email
- Parent/Guardian name and email
- Home Address: (include City State Zip)
- Home Phone
- Mobile Phone
- High School Graduation Date
- High School Name Address: City State Zip
- Name and email address of High School Guidance/College Counselor

Section 2

List extracurricular and athletic activities, community service, academic honors, accomplishments that demonstrate your commitment to your education and/or your community. Include approximate dates for each. Attach additional sheets if necessary. You may also include your CV (curriculum vitae).

Section 3

Submit an essay that answers the following question. (500-word min./750-word max.)

How does an optimistic mindset change my tomorrow and impact my field of study?

Important: Each application will be evaluated in its entirety. Decisions will not be based solely on academic achievement therefore answer the essay question in a manner that best represents your intentions.

Section 4

Submit the following documents:

- A copy of your final high school transcript
- A letter of acceptance from an institution of higher education (copy).
- Submit two (2) current letters of recommendation from a teacher, coach, employer, religious leader, guidance counselor, community/civic or business leaders.
- Signed Bloomfield Chamber Photo & Media Release Agreement with a current photo professional attached (see below).



Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce
P.O. BOX 938
BLOOMFIELD, CT. 06002

Bloomfield Chamber Photo & Media Release Agreement

I grant the Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce and/ or its representatives the right to take photographs of me and my property in connection with any events or activities in association with the Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce.

I authorize Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce, its assignees, and transferees to copyright, use and publish the same in print and/or electronically and on social media.

I agree that Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce may use such photographs of me, with or without my name and for any lawful purpose, including but not limited to web content, advertising, and publicity, illustration.

I have read and understand the above:

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Address: _____

Date: _____

****If under 18 years old, signature of Parent/ Guardian (required)****

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____ Date: _____