

Bromsgrove Rotary Club

Scholarship 2022 - 2023



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Bromsgrove Rotary Club is proud to announce the provision of a scholarship for a year 13 student going into further education on a 3-5 year degree course in a recognised UK University.

About the Scholarship

The aim of the scholarship is to provide financial assistance in recognition of your potential for success and desire to make a difference. The funds should enable you to purchase study materials like books, stationery, etc., help towards the cost of a field trip if any and other course-based expenses.

The Sum assured

The scholarship payment will be for a total of £2100, paid as a yearly instalment of £700 per annum for three years provided certain academic achievements are met and you go on to complete the course.

Who Can Apply

To be eligible to apply for the scholarship you must meet all of the eligibility criteria listed in the following section and you must not be subject to any of the disqualification clauses listed in the Ineligibility section.

How to Apply

Complete the attached application form, scan it and your supporting documents then email all of the scanned documents to scholarship@bromsgroverotary.org.uk. You will receive a confirmation email and reference number within 48hrs. Give this reference number to your school to add to their letter of recommendation which they should then email to the same email address.

When to Apply

Applications for the scholarship can be submitted from the 18th February 2022 up to the 8th of April 2022.

What Happens Next

The applications will be reviewed by the judges and 3 candidates will be shortlisted for interview by no later than the end of May. Interviews will be held in June with the Judges, you and your guardian (if desired). Your Head Teacher / Head of Year may also be asked to attend if extenuating circumstances are being considered. The final decision will be announced by the end of June.

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Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible to apply for the scholarship you must meet all of the following criteria.

Geographical

- You must be a UK Citizen
- You must be a resident of Bromsgrove Town at the time of the application.
- You must be attending one of the designated Bromsgrove schools. See www.bromsgrove.rotary.org.uk/scholarship/schools.php for details of the designated schools.

Educational

- You must be in Year 13 at the time of submitting the application.
- You must be going on to a recognised UK University for a 3-5 year undergraduate degree.

Please Note: If, after the award of a scholarship is confirmed, no suitable university placement is taken up, the offer of the scholarship will be rescinded.

- You must have attained the following minimum academic level and performance:
GCSE Grade 6 and above in 75% of subjects including a minimum of grade 4 in English Language and Mathematics.

BTEC Level 2, GCSE equivalence: If you have taken any subjects at BTEC Level 2, a Distinction grade will be count towards the threshold for the minimum academic performance.

If you fall slightly short of the academic level requirement due to extenuating circumstances, you may still be considered eligible to apply for the scholarship. The gravity of extenuating circumstances will be determined by the judging panel and supported by a Letter of Recommendation by the Head teacher / senior tutor of the school.

- You must have minimum predicted A Levels of grade B and above or BTEC Level 3 Distinction grade, in at least 3 subjects.

The grades prediction must be supported by LOR from the teacher.

Please Note: If, after the award of a scholarship is confirmed, the final grades fall short of the predicted grades, the offer of the scholarship will be rescinded.

Financial

- You must be eligible for maximum student financing from Student Loans Company.

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Extracurricular

- You must display strong evidence of civic mindedness. Any community work as extra-curricular activity especially in Rotary's Area of Focus (but not necessarily) will be a bonus.
- You must demonstrate high ethical standards in your academic and personal life. This will have to be backed by the 'Letter of Recommendation' from the school.
- You must understand the ethos of Rotary International and the impact Rotary has in local communities and internationally.

Documentation

The following documentation must be emailed along with the application form and, if you are shortlisted for interview, the original documents must be brought to the interview:

- The mark sheet of GCSE results.
- The predicted grades in the subjects being taken at A level. This will be the predicted grades from the school and not your own prediction.
- Proof of your nationality. For example a passport or a birth certificate.
- Your curriculum vitae.
- A statement of Purpose (this should not be a reformatted CV).
- Extra-curricular activity certificates, if any.
- A Letter of Recommendation from the Head Teacher or a senior teacher of your school. This letter must be sent directly to us by the school and must include the reference number you receive once you have submitted the application form and above documents.

Going Forward

If you are awarded a scholarship:

- Proof of the offer of the maximum student financing from Student Loans Company must be forwarded to scholarship@bromsgroverotary.co.uk before the first instalment will be paid.

To be eligible for the instalments of the grant at the beginning of years 2 and 3 the following must be sent to scholarship@bromsgroverotary.co.uk at the end of years 1 and 2 respectively:

- Evidence of minimum average achievement of a 2:1 (60% and above).
- Extenuating circumstances for narrowly missed targets will be considered if supported by a letter from the tutor.
- Evidence of 8 hours of voluntary activity during each University year, preferably with a local Rotary Club. However, evidenced non-Rotary work will be acceptable.

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Ineligibility

The following people along with their Spouses, lineal descendants (children or grandchildren by blood, legal adoption, or marriage without adoption), spouses of lineal descendants, or ancestors (parents or grandparents by blood) are not eligible for the scholarship:

- Rotarians, including honorary Rotarians but not including members of Rotaract and Interact.
- Employees of Clubs, Districts, or other Rotary entities, or of Rotary International.
- Employees of agencies, organizations, or institutions that partner with the Foundation or Rotary International.
- Former Rotarians and honorary Rotarians who have terminated their membership within the preceding 36 months.

Rules

By applying for the scholarship you agree to the following rules:

- This application form is only to be used for applications for a scholarship starting in the academic year 2022 to 2023.
- The application for this scholarship will be open from Friday 18th February 2022.
- The application for this scholarship will close on Friday 8th April 2022. Applications received after this date will be rejected unless prior approval for a late submission has been agreed in writing with the judges.
- Original copies of all submitted documentation must be available for inspection for the judges. Failure to provide original documents at interview or within 3 weeks of a written request will result in the application/scholarship being immediately terminated.
- Submitting any false or misleading documentation will result in the application/scholarship being immediately terminated.
- You will be offered a maximum of 3 interview dates in June. If you are unable to attend any of the offered dates or fail to attend your interview you will forfeit your right to the scholarship. In such circumstances the judges may, but aren't required to, offer an interview to another student.
- Failure to submit the required documentation at the end of the 1st and 2nd years will result in the immediate termination of the scholarship.
- Failure to meet the required standards at the end of the 1st and 2nd years will result in the immediate termination of the scholarship.
- Details of any changes in circumstances, prior to attending university, which may mean you are no longer be eligible must be sent to the judges at the earliest opportunity. Please email scholarship@bromsgroverotary.org.uk.
- Payments of the grant will be made in the first week of October by bank transfer. It is your responsibility to ensure the Bromsgrove Rotary Club has your current bank account details.
- The judges' decision is final.