



Rotary Club of Tryon Foundation

Scholarship Submission Requirements

The Rotary Club of Tryon offers scholarships for graduates looking to further their education. The scholarship can be used for expenses at any accredited college, university, or trade school.

Due Date: *March 31, 2026*

Submission Instructions:

- Polk County High School Students: Return complete application to the Guidance office.
- Polk County Early College Students: Return complete application to your Principal.
- Home School Students, High School Graduates, and other applications: Return complete application to: Rotary Club Scholarships - PO Box 923 - Tryon NC 28782

Complete submissions will include:

- Scholarship Application
- Essay (*requirements included below*)
- 2 Adult References (*teachers, employers, or other adults who have knowledge of the applicant*)
- Academic Record: (*high school transcript, GED/Adult Diploma, most recent transcript from the school you are attending, or a summary of other work completed after high school*)

Essay Requirements: Include a one page essay describing how the *Object of Rotary*, and the *Four-Way Test*, can have a place in your future. The *Object of Rotary* & the *Four-Way Test* were developed to provide Rotarians with a strong, common purpose and direction.

Object of Rotary

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
- The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

The Four-Way Test

The Four-Way Test is a nonpartisan and nonsectarian ethical guide for Rotarians to use for their personal and professional relationships. The test has been translated into more than 100 languages, and Rotarians recite it at club meetings:

Of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?



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Scholarship Application

PO Box 923 - Tryon, NC 28782

Name: (Last): _____ (First): _____ (MI): _____

Nickname (if any): _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Mailing address (Street/PO Box): _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

High School Attended: _____

Current Class Rank _____ out of _____ students.

Expected Graduation Date: _____ or Date of GED/Adult Diploma: _____

Are you an Interact Club member? _____ Officer? _____

Describe any extracurricular activities, awards, honors, and offices you held while in high school.

Which school/program are you planning to attend? _____

Have you been accepted into this school/program? _____

Describe your specific need for academic funding and how a Rotary Club of Tryon scholarship will help you achieve your educational and career goals:

Review submission requirements included with this application.

Briefly describe your employment experience:

Describe a situation where you demonstrated strong leadership qualities or an experience where you had to overcome a significant challenge.

The Rotary Motto is **Service Above Self**. Describe your participation in service projects at school, at your church, or in the community. Include the approximate amount of time you served.

The Rotary Club of Tryon performs service projects around our community. What do you see as a need in our community, and what type of service project could help meet this need?

I certify that the above information is a true, accurate, and complete representation of my experience.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Review submission requirements included with this application.