



## Island Lake Area Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Criteria and Application

The Island Lake Area Chamber of Commerce (ILCC) will award two graduating seniors of the Island Lake Area scholarships in the amount of \$500. The selected recipient must meet the scholarship criteria and fully complete the application provided. The successful candidate(s), selected by the chamber's scholarship committee, will be a stand-out among their peers of the outstanding characteristics the ILCC has determined for the scholarship recipient.

### **Scholarship Amount**

\$500

### **Criteria**

1. Be a graduating senior living within Island Lake, or a student employed by a current (good-standing) ILCC member or have a parent/guardian employed by a current (good-standing) ILCC member. To view a listing of all ILCC members, go to the website at [www.islandlakechamber.org](http://www.islandlakechamber.org) and click on Business Directory.
2. Has applied or been accepted to a post-high school education or training program (career or business school, technical college, community college, or four-year college.)
3. Student must use the scholarship for continuing education.
4. Student advised, however not required to be/have been an active volunteer within the Island Lake/Wauconda Area communities (letter of recommendation advised, *Ex.* Work supervisor)
5. Student advised, however not required to be involved in a school activity, athletics, clubs, etc.
6. Finalist must be able to meet the scholarship selection committee for a personal interview.

### **Application**

1. Neatly complete the application provided.
2. Provide detailed answers to essay questions on the application for. This should be typed on a separate sheet of paper and attached to the application.
3. Finalists in the application process will be contacted and asked to come in for an interview with the scholarship committee during *April 29<sup>th</sup> or 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010*.

The application can be found as an interactive PDF file on the ILCC website at [www.islandlakechamber.org](http://www.islandlakechamber.org), click on ILCC Scholarship under Chamber Scholarships tab. The PDF will also be emailed to all chamber members and will be present in the chamber newsletter. A paper copy of the application can be obtained from the Village of Island Lake, Wauconda Area Public Library and ILCC website. Contact the ILCC office at (847) 604-4522 for details. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered. Neatness and organization of information counts!

### **Deadline**

The application and supporting materials are *due by April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2010*. Completed materials should be mailed to the ILCC office, attention scholarships. Finalist interviews will be conducted *April 29<sup>th</sup> or 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010*. Please mail application to: Island Lake Area Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 808, Island Lake, IL 60042.

### **Award Presentation**

Once the scholarship recipient has been selected, the successful candidate will be contacted by the ILCC President. The student and parents will be invited to the Island Lake Area Chamber of Commerce academic luncheon, Saturday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Where he/she will be recognized. The student will be presented with a scholarship certificate and will be asked to recognize his/her parents and their chamber business (if applicable), along with the announcement of the school and field of study intended for the fall. The actual scholarship fund will be released for first term/semester after the ILCC receives proof of enrollment (Copy of fall schedule provided by school) and the specifics of what office to release payment to. Checks will be made out to colleges only.

\*Note: it is the students' responsibility to ensure this information reaches the ILCC.\*

### **Scholarship Committee**

The ILCC Scholarship Committee will consist of chamber members who do not have an employee's child or child of their own submitting an application for consideration. The committee will review the applications and conduct interviews with the selected finalists. The committee members reserve the right of judgment concerning the selection process and the granting of scholarship rewards.

*Please remove and retain this cover sheet, a copy of this application, and all supporting materials for your own records.*

## 2010 Scholarship Application

Interactive online application can be found at [www.islandlakechamber.org](http://www.islandlakechamber.org)

Due: April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2010

**Applicant Information:** Please print neatly or type. To type in the PDF, click on the open spaces below to activate the fields. Tab after each entry to move automatically to the next field.

Name:		
Address:		City, State, Zip Code:
Phone:	Alternate Phone:	Email:
Date of Birth:		High School Graduation Date:
Parent(s) or Guardian(s):		Relationship:
Address (if different from applicant):		City, State, Zip Code:
Phone (if different from applicant):	Alt. Phone (if different from applicant):	Email:
Chamber Member Business Name (if applicable):		Occupation:

**Applicant Signature:** If completing the PDF on a computer, you will need to print the entire application to submit. Remember to include the information and appropriate signatures below.

I understand that this application must be completed in full by the due date in order to be considered. I certify that the information that I have listed is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I agree to provide if requested, any other data necessary to verify such information. I authorize Wauconda High School to release to the Island Lake Area Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Committee, any information requested by such person pertaining to this award (i.e. high school transcripts, enrollment status, current address, academic grades, etc). I affirm that any funds obtained, as a result of this application, will be used solely for the expenses related to attendance at a post-secondary institution.

Applicant Signature:	Date:
Parent(s) of Guardian(s) Signature:	Date:
High School Counselor Signature:	Date:

To be completed by High School Counselor:

Student Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Size: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Complete the application by *April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2010* and return it to the ILCC office, attention scholarships.

If you have any questions about the scholarship or the application please call the ILCC Office at (847) 604-4522. Scholarship finalists will be contacted and asked to come in for an interview on April 29<sup>th</sup> or 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

**Student Activities/Athletics:** Please use a separate sheet of paper if necessary.

Activities/Athletics in School (completed during grades 9-12):	Date/Year Participated:

**Honors, Awards or Leadership:** Please use a separate sheet of paper if necessary.

Honors, Awards or Leadership positions held (during grades 9-12):	Date/Year Participated:

**References:**

Please list two references who can speak to your character and ambitions. The individuals should not be related to you (e.g. aunt, uncle, grandparents, siblings, etc.)	
Reference:	Phone:
Reference:	Phone:

**Essay Questions:** Please use a separate sheet of paper.

<p>Please provide short answers to the following essay questions with as much detail as possible. Each answer should be at least half a page. Format in single space, with 12 point font please.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. What is the Island Lake Area Chamber of Commerce and what role does it play in our community?</li><li>2. What is your personal vision for your future and why are you interested in the field of study you chose?</li><li>3. After graduation, how do you plan to give back to the community in which you will be living?</li></ol>
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**Post-Secondary Information**

Name of Career/Business school; technical, community or four year college:		
Have you applied for admission?	If no, when do you plan to apply?	If yes, have you been accepted?
Intended Vocation/Major of Study:		
What is your career plan/goal?		
Do your plans include returning to the Island Lake/Wauconda area?	If not, where are you planning to look for work after college?	

**Work Experience:** Please use a separate sheet of paper if necessary.

Beginning with the most recent, please list all jobs, including seasonal/summer, that you have worked over the past three years.			
Job/Title	Employer	Type of Work	Dates Employed

**Community Service/Volunteering:** Please use a separate sheet of paper if necessary.

Activities in the Community (Completed during grades 9-12)	Date/Years of Service: