

## ROTARY CLUB OF WENATCHEE CONFLUENCE

### NEW FRONTIERS SCHOLARSHIPS

#### Applications due by Friday, April 4, 2025

Selection Criteria: This is a scholarship for students with educational goals that include “New Frontiers.” Our scholarship committee is looking for outstanding individuals who have set a pattern of “wowing” themselves, family members, teachers and friends with above-and-beyond achievements.

Vocational, artistic, academic, community service, research and exploration, economic development, intellectual, and non-profit educational goals are all equally qualified.

The awards are accessible to students in all fields of study and are not dependent on whether the student has been ranked outstanding, average, or struggling in scholarship, athleticism, or teenage leadership.

Scholarships will be awarded to those students who best demonstrate the effort and preparation to be successful in reaching his or her “New Frontier.” Examples from previous applications include:

- The first student in the family to attend post-high school education.
- A person who will study and then bring a new activity to the Wenatchee Valley community.
- A student who is entering a field that is totally different from his or her background experience.
- A person who has chosen a field of study for which there is an unmet need and which will make an important difference in the future, whether for few or many.
- Any other “personal frontier” which is new territory that would not have been opened without the student’s own enterprise.
- A community (or global) frontier that the student can advance through her/his contributions.

Eligibility: WHS graduates who will become full-time students attending a higher education or vocational institution that is eligible for FAFSA funding. The course must begin within six months of graduation, except for Rotary Exchange students who may defer for their exchange year.

Payment and Use of Funds: Scholarships are payable directly to the institution to pay for tuition and other fees and expenses that the IRS does not classify as income.

#### 2025 Scholarships Structure and Budget:

- The amount of each scholarship will be approximately \$3,000.00.
- The target amount for awards for the 2025 scholarship program is \$6,000.00.
- The scholarships are open equally to all graduating students of Wenatchee High School, without means or other restrictions.

Selection Procedure: A short list of finalists will be selected from the applications, essays and transcripts. The committee will interview these candidates and then make the final selections.

Submitting Applications: Return completed applications by e-mail to [david@speidelbentsen.com](mailto:david@speidelbentsen.com) or mailed to Wenatchee Confluence Rotary Foundation, P.O. Box 183, Wenatchee, WA 98807-0183.



List the most important activities you have engaged in during your high school years. Included organized out-of-school activities (such as scouting, 4-H, community organizations), those connected with school (class officer, music organizations, athletics, publications) and the hobbies and recreational activities that you enjoy and spend time doing.

Activity	Achievements/Contributions	Years/Participation
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
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What other special recognition have you received or exceptional accomplishments have you achieved? Use this section if you wish to inform the Scholarship Committee of important achievements that you completed successfully, but which are not given conventional recognition.

Recognition/Accomplishment	Activity/Organization/Project	Date
_____	_____	_____
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**OPTIONAL: Letter of Reference and Recommendation - The Scholarship Committee expects applicants to tell their own story. However, if there is a person who can uniquely add information about you and your "New Frontier," you may submit a letter from a teacher, counselor, or community leader who has first-hand knowledge of your story.**

**Read the Selection Criteria for the New Frontiers scholarships. In the space below, tell us about the New Frontier you are creating for yourself, why you want to pursue this challenge and how qualified you are to succeed. You may write an essay or use a presentation format.**

**Student's Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

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