

# **Rotary Club of Lake Oswego**

## **Lakeridge and Lake Oswego High School**

### ***2020 Bigelow Memorial Scholarship Application***

This year, the Rotary Club of Lake Oswego will award two new scholarships to high school seniors who plan to attend college in the fall. These two, the Bigelow Memorial Scholarships, are to encourage leadership, academic excellence, service to others, and personal accomplishments in school and the community.

One \$2,000 Bigelow Scholarship will be awarded to a senior at Lakeridge and another will be awarded to a senior at Lake Oswego High School. Like other Rotary Scholarships, the Bigelow will take into consideration academic achievement, student activities, honors, and involvement with community service. Unlike our other scholarships, an important consideration will be the candidate student's need, and what has precipitated that need.

The judges for the Bigelow Scholarship are interested in learning about challenges that candidates may have faced, and how they've addressed those challenges.

Rotary scholarships are awarded without regard to race, religion, gender, disability, or any other legally protected status.

Payment of the scholarship will be made during the recipient's first term, directly to the institution of higher learning in which the recipient is enrolled. Scholarship recipients will be announced in June, and will be invited to speak at a Rotary Club meeting.

The applicant must be a graduating senior and must attend an institution of higher learning within twelve months following application for the award.

#### **Selection Process**

Students should submit completed applications to the Rotary Club Scholarship Committee, with a copy to their counselor. After reviewing the written materials, Rotary judges will interview student-finalists to determine the scholarship recipients.

#### **Applying for the Rotary Club Bigelow Scholarship**

Each application must include the following:

1. Student's name, address, email address, and cell phone number, along with parent's/guardian's name, email address, and phone number.
2. A complete high school transcript
3. A letter of recommendation from a faculty member who is well acquainted with the applicant's high school career
4. A 300-500 word essay delineating the reasons why the applicant believes he or she qualifies for the scholarship and providing evidence to support those qualifications

Additionally, each application must include answers to the following two questions:

A. What is your status with respect to applications for admission to colleges and universities? To which schools have you applied? Where have you been accepted?

B. Have you already in hand, or do you expect to receive a full tuition scholarship or grant which you intend to use to fund your education?

**Students should submit scholarship applications and supporting documentation to this email address:**

**SASEESCHOLAR@gmail.com**

**The deadline for applications is May 4, 2020.**