



# PALOS AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

## 2012 Scholarship Application

**This application will not be considered complete without the following attachments**

1. For Graduating High School Senior with an **official** high school transcript.
2. Two (2) letters of reference from someone—other than a family member—who knows you; **letters must be dated 2012 and include a contact telephone number of the individual writing the letter.** One should be from a school official.
3. Evidence of college acceptance for the coming fall.
4. One page essay: *“What Can You Do to Make a Difference in Your Community and Engage Other Young Adults to Get Involved.”* Submit a neatly typed and double spaced essay, utilizing 12pt Times New Roman font.

### Minimum Criteria for Scholarship:

- ◆ Must have been a Palos Heights or Palos Park resident or have a Palos Heights or Palos Park mailing address for at least one year prior to seeking this scholarship **OR** be an employee or employee’s immediate family member of a current Palos Area Chamber of Commerce member company in good standing. An employee is defined as anyone who has worked in the City of Palos Heights or Village of Palos Park for the member company for two years at the time of application for the scholarship. An immediate family member is defined as son, daughter, mother, father or spouse.
- ◆ One scholarship each year may be given to a Chamber member’s employee or employee’s immediate family member that does not live in the Palos Heights city or Palos Park village limits.
- ◆ Will be enrolled full-time (12 or more credit hours) for period covered by proposed scholarship.

All information requested below must be complete before application will be considered. Please print legibly or type. All applications must be completed by the applicant.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
First, Middle, Last

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street, City, State, Zip Code

Name of Palos Area Chamber of Commerce Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
(if applicable)

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (Parents if different) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of High School Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_ High School GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Address of High School: \_\_\_\_\_

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Number of family members in college: \_\_\_\_\_

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Projected College Enrollment Date:

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Student will \_\_\_\_ live on campus \_\_\_\_ live off campus \_\_\_\_ commute

Expected College Completion Date:

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Projected or Current Program/Major:

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Other Post-Secondary Education (if applicable):

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Please briefly explain your educational goals:

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Please briefly outline your employment history:

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Why do you deserve/need this scholarship?

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Describe your community service, including dates:

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Please list school activities in which you have participated during the past four years with number of years participating. Indicate all special awards and honors.

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Please list all other types of assistance (including federal, state and local) scholarships or grant funds for which you have applied, plan to apply or been awarded.

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Please describe how and when any unusual family or personal circumstances have affected your achievement in school work experience or your participation in school and community activities.

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By my signature below, I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief the information given here is true and complete. Further, by my signature below, if I am a scholarship awardee, I grant Palos Area Chamber of Commerce (Chamber) permission to reprint my essay in a Chamber newsletter, post my essay to the Chamber website, and/or reproduce my essay in any other Chamber electronic or print medium. If under 18, my parent or guardian has signed below to show that you have their permission to publish my essay.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/guardian's signature (if under 18) \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail Application to:**  
**Palos Area Chamber Scholarship, c/o Margie Zeglen**  
**P.O. Box 138**  
**Palos Heights, IL 60463**

**DEADLINE: April 16, 2012**

Winners are first announced at their high school awards night and then in *The Regional News*.