



## Kendall County Republicans Scholarship Application



Dear Applicant and Parent/Guardian,

The Kendall County Republican Party, Kendall County Republican Women, and the Kendall County Republican Club are offering academic scholarships to graduating seniors who plan to seek a post-secondary education.

To be considered for a scholarship, complete the attached application, extracurricular activities page, and the essay question. **When submitting your application by email, all documents must be scanned into one file and not emailed separately. Otherwise, the application will not be considered by the scholarship committee.** All applications must be returned to **Traften Werenskjold** by email at **KCRPScholarships@protonmail.com** by **Monday, April 6, 2026.**

In addition to assessing academic progress and college testing, the applicant will be measured by moral character, work ethic, participation in school, job experience, community activities (including any church activities), community service, and financial need. **An applicant must be a resident of Kendall County.**

We wish all students the best of luck in competing for our scholarships.

Sincerely,

Traften Werenskjold  
Chair, Kendall County Republican Party

Attachments

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Name Printed Legibly

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Parent's Name Printed Legibly

\_\_\_\_\_  
Cell phone

\_\_\_\_\_  
Cell phone

\_\_\_\_\_  
email

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email

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Applicant's Signature

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Parent's Signature

(SIGNATURES ARE MANDATORY)

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**Name of current High School or Home School:**

**I. Student Section**

GPA \_\_\_\_\_ (as of 1/2026) Class Rank \_\_\_\_\_ School Does Not Rank \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a U.S. citizen?  Yes  No Sex:  Male  Female

SAT: CR \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ W \_\_\_\_\_ ACT: \_\_\_\_\_

To what universities, colleges or other post-secondary schools have you applied and hope to attend?

1<sup>st</sup> choice \_\_\_\_\_  
School Name City, State

Accepted?  Yes  No  Awaiting decision

2<sup>nd</sup> choice \_\_\_\_\_  
School Name City, State

Accepted?  Yes  No  Awaiting decision

Intended Major: 1st choice \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> choice \_\_\_\_\_

Career goal: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Experience and date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Provide one letter of recommendation with this application from a teacher, counselor, advisor, or administrator from your current school.

Name of person providing the letter of recommendation:

\_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



**III. Essay: Answer the following question:** Please select one of the following three topics in submitting your essay. Please limit your essay to 300 words typed in font style Times New Roman size 12. **Provide your name on your essay.**

1. In a democratic republic society, citizens hold both rights and responsibilities. Identify one civic responsibility you believe is essential to the health of American democracy. Explain why it matters, how it is supported by the constitution or American history, and how you plan to uphold this responsibility as an informed citizen.
2. How has digital media (like social media, online news and videos) changed the way people learn about political issues, and what skills do young people need to tell what's true and what's not?
3. In what ways can young people use community service as a pathway to influence political decision-making, and how might their local engagement strengthen democratic institutions?

