

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

The Knights of Columbus Paterson Federation scholarship is awarded to a Catholic student going to a Catholic high school, in the amount of \$1000 annually for four (4) years. The award will be presented to the Catholic high school of choice, in the student's name. The criteria for selection is mainly based on the objective scores in a national test which students must take to graduate in NJ and the student's performance during his/her years in school. In addition, a short essay is required along with a summary of the applicant's volunteer work performed for church and/or the community. Care is taken to ensure the anonymity of each applicant prior to review and judging. This scholarship will be awarded regardless of financial need.

## **DIRECTIONS TO APPLY FOR PATERSON FEDERATION SCHOLARSHIP**

The applicant for this scholarship must:

1. have maintained at least a 90% average during the prior 7 marking periods when the application is submitted for consideration (that is the four marking periods during seventh grade and 3 during eighth grade);
2. have scored in the 90 percentile in math, reading, and language on the latest standardized test (i.e. Terra Nova, **seventh or eighth** grade scores) prior to the filing of the application.
3. submit an essay between 200-250 words (typed, double-spaced) discussing "*Why I want to attend a Catholic high school*";
4. List the various voluntary services performed and/or participating at the church or local community;
5. Secure the sponsoring Knights of Columbus council name/number and the Grand Knight's signature.

The scholarship is a four-year annually paid award based on academic achievement and is available only to Catholic students graduating from an elementary school (public, private, or parochial) in the Paterson diocese who will be attending a Catholic high school (of their choice) in September. All awards will be sent to the high school of choice in the student's name. The recipient must maintain an 88% average in high school and must remain at the same school during the four years.

It is suggested that letters of recommendation from the applicant's principal and pastor be obtained and submitted along with the application.

The application and supporting material must be postmarked no later than **May 15<sup>th</sup>** for scholarship consideration for the Fall semester. **These items must be mailed via first class mail and not certified mail.**

**Please send to:**        **PGK Leon D. Doty**  
                                  **402 Monroe Street**  
                                  **Boonton, NJ 07005**

**Be sure all required material is included with the completed scholarship application.**

**PATERSON FEDERATION KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

**Section I**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_  
Parish \_\_\_\_\_ Pastor's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Section II**

Grammar School \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Graduation \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

To be supplied by the School (this is mandatory):

1. Numerical grade average for prior seven (7) marking periods \_\_\_\_\_
2. Standardized test average for **math** \_\_\_\_\_  
**reading** \_\_\_\_\_ **(national percentiles)**  
**language** \_\_\_\_\_

Principal's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Section III**

High School Choice \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

**Section IV**

Details of church/community services preformed in the past five (5) years. These details must be typed on a separate sheet of paper.

**On my honor I have been the sole author of the essay "Why I would like to attend a Catholic high school".**

I have enclosed my transcript scores for the latest standardized test I have taken and a transcript from my grammar school from the past seven (7) marking periods.

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsoring Council's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Number \_\_\_\_\_

Grand Knight's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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