CRITERIA FOR SCHOLARSHIP AWARD
PERRY ROTARY FOUNDATION

The Scholarship committee determined the following criteria for the award of the scholarship:

Service (School & Community)
Leadership
Character

Qualifications:

1. Resident and attended the Perry Central Schools in grades 9-12 at least two years, one of which must be the senior year.

2. Must be pursuing a degree program at an accredited two or four-year College or University.

The members of the Rotary Scholarship Committee are seeking well rounded student leaders who will successfully complete a post secondary degree program. Service to community and high personal character are the primary criteria for successful applicants. The student need not be at the top of his/her class but must be in good academic standing.

The intent of the committee is to award this scholarship to a student for whom it could or would make a difference in his/her academic career. There will be four selections: first place - $1500, second place - $1000, third place - $500, and an alternate.

We ask that the scholarship readers designate a winner, a second place recipient, a third place recipient, and an alternate. **The scholarship will not actually be paid until he/she completes the first semester of the Freshman year and if for some reason, one of the students drops out of school, the alternate would move up to third place.**

Thank you for your assistance.

Perry Rotary Club Scholarship Committee

PERRY ROTARY
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
2026

The Motto of Rotary is "Service above self". The Perry Rotary Scholarship is a one- time award of 1st place $1500, 2nd place $1000 and 3rd place $500 to three Perry High School seniors who excel in service to the school and community. The recipients should also exhibit leadership and good character in dealing with others.

The scholarship is open to Perry High School Seniors who have been residents of and who attended for at least two years in the Perry School District in grades 9-12. One year must be the senior year and the winners must attend a two or four year accredited college or university following graduation.

The scholarship recipient will be announced in the spring of 2026. The scholarships of: 1st Place -$1500, 2nd place -$1000, and 3rd place $500 will be paid to the student ***upon proof of matriculation in a degree program of an accredited two or four year college or university at the beginning of the second semester of the Freshman year.***

(Please print or type)

Name:_____
First M.I. Last

Home Address_____

Name of Parent or Guardian_____

Deadline: Completed application with two (2) letters of recommendation must be submitted by **Tuesday, March 31, 2026, to Kellie Milhollen in the Counseling Center Office or mailed to Kellie Milhollen, at Perry High School, 33 Watkins Avenue, Perry, New York 14530.**

I certify that all the information provided in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature_____ Date_____

Student Code #_____ (for office use)

Volunteer Service

Please list the community activities in which you have participated without pay since your Freshman year (for example: Special Olympics, Youth Engaged in Service, hospital volunteer, neighborhood beautification project, 4-H and the approximate total number of hours of participation: (1-10 hrs; 11-20 hrs; 21-30 hrs; 31-40 hrs; 41-50 hrs; 51 or more hrs).

Activity	**Approximate Hours**

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

Community Organizations

Please list the community organizations to which you have belonged and the year(s) since your freshman year: (for example: Scouts, church organizations, hospital auxiliary, youth organizations).

Number of Years Resident of Perry School District: _____

Names of colleges to which you have applied:

Name and Address of College	**Accepted** (Yes, No, Waiting)
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Highest Degree Anticipated:
Associates (2 years) ☐; Bachelors (4 years) ☐;
Masters (4+ years) ☐; Doctorate (Post Masters) ☐;

Activities:

School Activities

Check each grade in which you participated in the activity and were an elected or appointed officer:

		Grades	**9**	**10**	**11**	**12**
Student Government						
	President		☐	☐	☐	☐
	Vice President		☐	☐	☐	☐
	Secretary		☐	☐	☐	☐
	Treasurer		☐	☐	☐	☐
	Representative		☐	☐	☐	☐
Class Officer:	President		☐	☐	☐	☐
	Vice President		☐	☐	☐	☐
	Secretary		☐	☐	☐	☐
	Treasurer		☐	☐	☐	☐

School Activities Continued:

	Grade(s)	9	10	11	12
National Honor Society					
	President	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Vice President	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Secretary	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Treasurer	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Member	☐	☐	☐	☐

School and Classroom-related Clubs (for example: Band, Chorus, Spanish, Yearbook, FTA, etc. Do not duplicate activities on page 2.)

	Grade(s)	9	10	11	12
Club _____					
	President	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Vice President	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Secretary	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Treasurer	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Member	☐	☐	☐	☐
Club _____					
	President	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Vice President	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Secretary	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Treasurer	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Member	☐	☐	☐	☐
Club _____					
	President	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Vice President	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Secretary	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Treasurer	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Member	☐	☐	☐	☐
Club_____					
	President	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Vice President	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Secretary	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Treasurer	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Member	☐	☐	☐	☐

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Local/State/National Awards and Honors:

Indicate awards/honors received each year at the local, state, and national level (for example, Girl's/Boy's State Delegate, All-county Choir, All-state Band, etc.) and list them and the years received on the lines below. Do NOT include community awards.

Award	**Year(s)**

School Awards and Honors:

Indicate the school awards/honors received and year given (Scholastic Athlete, Academic Letters, etc.)

Award	**Year(s)**

Interscholastic Athletics

Indicate the interscholastic athletic teams in which you participated and years (football, cheerleading, track, tennis, soccer, basketball, etc.)

Grade(s) 9 10 11 12

Sport: _____

Captain/Co-captain (full season) ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
Varsity Letter Winner ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
Awards/Honors (please list) ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
Member ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

Sport: _____

Captain/Co-captain (full season) ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
Varsity Letter Winner ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
Awards/Honors (please list) ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
Member ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

Sport: _____

Captain/Co-captain (full season) ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
Varsity Letter Winner ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
Awards/Honors (please list) ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
Member ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

Sport: _____

Captain/Co-captain (full season) ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
Varsity Letter Winner ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
Awards/Honors (please list) ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
Member ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

Sport: _____

Captain/Co-captain (full season) ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
Varsity Letter Winner ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
Awards/Honors (please list) ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
Member ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

Essay:

Please write a brief essay in response to the following question to assist us in evaluating you as an applicant in the space provided below:

Perry Rotary Scholarship is awarded on the characteristics of Service, Leadership, and Character. Please describe your personal qualities that would make you a candidate for this prestigious scholarship.

Please complete the following statement in the space provided.

My goals for the future and the way in which my education will assist me in attaining those goals are:

Recommendations

You are required to submit two (2) recommendations: one from a teacher or high school counselor; one from a community leader, i.e. businessperson, minister, etc. as long as he or she is not a family member. The attached recommendation forms should be given, by you, to those individuals whom you have identified as being willing to write recommendations for you. Letters should be returned or emailed to Kellie Milhollen (33 Watkins Ave., Perry, NY 14530 or kmilhollen@perrycsd.org).

Procedure for using the Perry Rotary Scholarship Forms:

You will note that there are two (2) recommendation forms:

1. Recommendation form for a teacher or school counselor

2. Recommendation form for a community leader, i.e. family friend, minister, area businessperson etc.

Additional Information

The members of the Perry Rotary Scholarship Committee would be willing to assist you in any way with the completion of this form. If you have any questions, need help completing the form or would like to have someone assist you with composing your written answers or proofread them for you, please see Kellie Milhollen in the counseling center. She will contact a Rotary member who will be happy to help you.

Below, please write of any extenuating circumstances (need, educational opportunities, etc.), which you would like the selection committee to be aware of.

Deadline: March 31, 2026

Perry Rotary Scholarship

Recommendation Form (A) - Educator

_____ has applied for the Perry Rotary Scholarship and would like a recommendation from you. Please provide responses to each question listed. If more space is needed, use the back of this form. **Please do not use the applicant's name or gender in your recommendation. Please use he/ she or him/her instead.** Your response will be held confidential. Type or print (black ink please) and return this form to the Perry High School Counseling Center, 33 Watkins Avenue, Perry, NY 14530 or email to kmilhollen@perrycsd.org by **Tuesday, March 31, 2026.**

1. Can you provide information demonstrating the applicant's volunteer service to the school and community?

2. Are there unique factors, which you believe make the applicant especially worthy of receiving this scholarship?

Deadline: March 31, 2026

Perry Rotary Scholarship

Recommendation Form (B) - Community Leader

_____ has applied for the Perry Rotary Scholarship and would like a recommendation from you. Please provide responses to each question listed. If more space is needed, use the back of this form. **Please do not use the applicant's name or gender in your recommendation. Please use he/she or him/her instead.** Your response will be held confidential. Type or print (black ink please) and return this form, in the envelope provided to the Perry High School Counseling Center, 33 Watkins Avenue, Perry, NY 14530 or email to kmilhollen@perrycsd.org by **Tuesday, March 31, 2026**.

1. How long have you known the applicant and in what capacity?

2. How would you assess the applicant's involvement in the community, citing positive examples if you can?

3. Can you list any other reasons that you feel would make the applicant deserving of this scholarship?