

Upper Keys Rotary Club Graduating Student Application Instructions

The Upper Keys Rotary Club awards three types of scholarships for students who are residents of the Upper Keys: 1. Graduating High School Seniors (including those who took a Gap year), 2. Returning students (who have previously received a scholarship from this organization) and 3. CTE students interested in Career Technical Education training or certification. Please make sure you have selected the correct application.

Once you find the appropriate form, download and save it. The application form is a “fillable” PDF file. You can enter the information from a browser or from any PDF reader. Although it will probably appear in your browser, this is not an “online” form. You should DOWNLOAD and SAVE it to your local system. Then, you can take your time to complete the form and save it as you go along. Finally, you will upload the finished application form to a portal described below.

Graduating student applicants are asked to

1. Complete the application in full
2. Provide an image of the EFC (Expected Family Contribution) page from your FAFSA. You will need a screen image or even a photo from your phone of the Expected Family Contribution or EFC page from your current FAFSA. The best format for our use is a pdf.
3. If you took a gap year after high school, please provide us a summary of the courses you took in HS and your final GPA.
4. We are asking you to create a short video on your phone or other device. You will simply respond to prompts in the instructions given below.
5. We are not making it mandatory to have letters of recommendation. Only upload a letter of recommendation in pdf format if you feel it will make a difference to the Rotary Scholarship Committee. In other words, don't bug your English teacher for a

letter saying you are a good kid in class. But, if you did something special and want to us to know, then yes, get someone to write that letter!

6. We are still asking for an essay The essay is entered (copy/paste if you wish) on a page in the application. Don't feel that you need to fill the page! You can expand on anything you want us to know in the video. But, if there is something you would like to put in writing, then yes, tell us in an essay, note, or letter in pdf format.

7. Get ALL THAT DONE by midnight April 15 !!

8. Each application form contains an Internet Link and a password. For Graduating students, the link is <https://filerequestpro.com/up/hsgrad-scholarship-application> The password to the upload portal for Graduating students is CSHS2021

Here are the Prompts for Graduating Student Video.

Last year we asked CSHS graduating students to create a short introductory video. The process worked so well we are going to stick with it. Please read the prompts below and create a video on your phone or other device. In this video you will introduce yourself and respond to the prompts.

When you complete the video, just copy/paste or drag and drop the video file into the upload folder at the link you were provided in your application along with 1. the completed application, 2. EFC page image, and 3. any optional letters of recommendation you wish to provide.

Now, for the video: The first introduction prompts are required, but you can pick and choose from among the other prompts. Importantly, if there is something about you that you want us to know, please tell us!

VIDEO PROMPTS

Be sure to tell us:

- Your name**
- The school you plan to go to and why ?**
- What major you plan to follow and why ?**
- What activities, athletics, or clubs you participate in?**
- When you volunteered for the Gigantic Nautical Flea Market and what you did?**

Optionally -- Pick and choose OR TELL US WHAT WE SHOULD KNOW:

- Have you worked at a job in high school?**
- What was your favorite community service activity and why?**
- Do you have career goals beyond college? Where do you hope to see yourself in 5 or in 10 years?**
- Have you taken AP classes at Coral Shores? Did you have a favorite?**
- Have you traveled in or outside the US and what was your favorite place to visit?**
- Is there one person who has been important, supportive, or inspirational to you?**