



Doniphan County Chamber of Commerce

2023 Scholarship

This year, the Doniphan County Chamber of Commerce is offering a \$1,000 and a \$500 scholarship to any graduate from Doniphan West, Troy or Riverside High Schools. Sometimes the Chamber awards additional scholarships due to numerous quality applications or more funds available in the Chamber Scholarship Fund provided by contributions made by Chamber members. Any Doniphan County resident student graduating through an accredited home school program is also eligible to participate. Furthermore, the scholarship is open to graduating seniors or any current student of a post-secondary school or training program that previously graduated from a Doniphan County school.

In addition to the scholarship form, please fill out ALL THREE sections on page four. For section two, select ONE (1) of the economic/social issues questions, to give your opinion and thoughts. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Entries will be judged by a committee of Chamber of Commerce members on the following criteria:

- Extracurricular activities (Page 3: attach an additional page if needed)
- GPA ranking (Scholarship Form)
- Essay question (Section 2)
- Importance of this scholarship to student (Section 1)
- Kansas Individual Plan of Study (IPS) (Section 3)

All entries must be received by midnight **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 2023** and must be sent electronically via e-mail to: chamber.commerce@dpcountyks.com and tm@nekef.org.

The Scholarship winner and his or her parents are invited to attend the Doniphan County Chamber of Commerce Business Appreciation Breakfast, Thursday, June 22, 2023, at 7:30 a.m. The Scholarship recipient will be presented their award at that time and/or at their school's awards night or graduation.

Please complete the essay portion of the entry with only your date of birth on the upper left-hand corner to allow for judging and scoring of essays anonymously. Essays for section two should be a minimum of 450 words or one single spaced 12-14 pt. font page.

For any questions, please contact either:

- Theresa Rohrer
816-646-8050
- Jessica Studer
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2023 Scholarship Form (Required)

Name: _____ DOB: _____ Essay Question Number: _____

Home Address: _____

City, State, Zip code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Parent's name(s): _____

Parent's Home Phone or Email: _____

High school counselor and contact: _____

Graduating High School and Year: _____

College, University, Community College or Vocational/Technical school you will be or are currently attending:

Anticipated or current Major/Program: _____

Student ID or financial aid number if known: _____

Name of Financial Aid Office or Admissions Office and Address to submit an award check to:

Attn: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Please note that a scholarship winner's check will be issued in the student's name (and ID if available) and sent to the attending post-secondary school. Awardees will have to endorse the check at the financial services office on the attending school's campus. Applicants should contact their attending school's Financial Aid Office for questions or other specific directions as necessary.



DOB: _____

Most current Grade Point Average: _____ (High School or College?) (circle one)

In what ways have you prepared yourself for your post-secondary plans, including, but not limited to, advanced or college classes taken, senior project or job training/shadowing if any? _____

List extracurricular or volunteer activities and awards if any: _____



DOB: _____

Section One: (Required)

How would this scholarship benefit you, both now and in the future?

Section Two: (Required)

The Doniphan County Chamber of Commerce recognizes that the future of our county and its strengths are in the hands of our youth. Your thoughts and dreams for Doniphan County are essential to our future. **Please choose one of the questions below and write a *minimum* of 450-word essay on this topic. Mark the question below you will be addressing in your essay. Please place the number of your question at the top of page two along with your DOB.**

_____ 1. Please write a press release for a **county wide** event being held in 2033 (ten years in the future). Please address how this event will encompass or engage all the residents of Doniphan County? How will this event benefit Doniphan County through increased tourism, citizen engagement or involvement or other benefits? How will you personally contribute to this event?

_____ 2. What are the advantages of living in rural America and specifically Doniphan County? What are the biggest challenges affecting rural Kansas and Doniphan County both now and in the future? How would you propose or contribute to address these challenges? Based on your essay, does this affect your decision on whether you would want to live in Doniphan County in the future, why or why not?

Section Three: (Required)

Please include/attach to your scholarship application your Kansas Individual Plan of Study (IPS) if you are applying as a senior in high school. This is not required if you are applying as a current college, trade or vocational student.