

Kiwanis Club of Livonia Early Risers 2019 Fernon Feenstra Scholarship Program

BACKGROUND

The Fernon Feenstra Scholarship Program provides a variable number of \$1,000 scholarships each year to Livonia high school students demonstrating a desire to better themselves through education and a passion to help others. Fernon Feenstra was one of the founding members of the Livonia Kiwanis Club in 1981. Described by Livonia's Mayor as "Mr. Sunshine", Fernon's positive attitude and philanthropic outlook will always be remembered. It is our honor to name this scholarship program after him and our hope that the award recipients will enrich the lives of others in their communities for decades to come.

AVAILABLE SCHOLARSHIPS

1. **Mr. Sunshine Scholarship** – This scholarship is available to all graduating high school seniors who meet the requirements below. A GPA of 3.0 or higher is recommended.
2. **Schoolcraft College Technical Scholarship** – This scholarship is available to all graduating high school seniors who meet the requirements below, and who plan to enroll fulltime in a technical skills program at Schoolcraft College in the fall. Recipients of this award may also be eligible for a scholarship-matching program offered by the Schoolcraft College Foundation. A GPA of 2.5 or higher is recommended.

REQUIREMENTS AND DIRECTIONS FOR APPLICATION

1. The applicant must meet at least one of the following residency requirements:
 - a. Is enrolled in a Livonia or Clarenceville area high school. This requirement includes students whose primary residence is outside of Livonia or Clarenceville.
 - b. Has a primary residence in Livonia or Clarenceville. This requirement includes students who are home schooled, or who attend public or private schools outside of Livonia.
2. The applicant must plan to graduate from high school in the spring of 2019.
3. The applicant must have been accepted by and plan to attend a university, community college, vocational training center, or other qualifying educational institution. Proof of full time enrollment for the fall 2019 semester must be available by June 2019.
4. The applicant must submit two recommendation forms, one to be completed by a high school staff member and one to be completed by an adult in a community service program leadership position. The recommendations may not be provided by a relative of the applicant. The recommendations may be submitted with the application packet or separately, using one of the three methods stated below.
5. All components of the scholarship application packet (application form, essay, and two recommendations) must be received by the Kiwanis Club of Livonia no later than **Friday April 12, 2019**. Packet information received after April 12th will not be considered. Applicants may submit packets in one of the following ways:
 - a. Hand-deliver the packet to Dawnne Toppa at the Livonia Chamber of Commerce before the close of business on Friday, April 12th.
 - b. Mail the packet to the address below no later than Friday, April 5th to ensure timely delivery.

Livonia Kiwanis Scholarship Committee
c/o Livonia Chamber of Commerce
33300 Five Mile Road, Suite 212
Livonia, MI 48154

- c. Email the packet to KiwanisofLivonia@gmail.com by 11:59PM on Friday, April 12th. For the email subject line, please state "Scholarship Application for [Applicant First and Last Name]".

For any questions regarding the scholarship program, please contact Livonia Kiwanis Committee Chair Chery Nicholas at 313-570-8732 or send an email to KiwanisofLivonia@gmail.com.

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Applicant Name: _____

I am applying for the following scholarship:

- Mr. Sunshine Scholarship
 Schoolcraft College Technical Scholarship

How did you learn about this scholarship opportunity?

- Guidance counselor
 Kiwanis website or Kiwanis social media
 City of Livonia website
 Other (please describe)

I meet the following residency requirement (choose one or both):

- I attend a Livonia or Clarenceville high school.
 My primary residence is in Livonia or Clarenceville.

High School: _____ Cumulative Weighted GPA: _____ / _____ (x.xx/x.xx)

Applicant's Primary Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Which school do you plan to attend in the fall? _____

What course of study do you plan to pursue? _____

What career(s) do you plan to pursue? _____

Recommendation letters will be provided by:

1. (Teacher or School Staff Member) _____
2. (Service Organization Leader) _____

In addition to completing this form and the recommendation letters, applicants will also need to:

1. Provide a list of your extracurricular and/or community service activities, including any leadership positions. Please list activities in order of most recent to earliest, going no further back than 7th grade.
2. Complete an essay that responds to these questions: "How have I made a difference in my community throughout my life so far? How do I plan to make a difference as I continue my education, and then in my personal and professional life?" The essay must be 500-1,000 words in length, typed, and double-spaced.

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Student's Name: _____

Recommender's Name: _____

Recommender's Title/Role: _____

In the space provided below (or on an additional page), please provide your comments regarding the work or character you have seen demonstrated by the student. Also, any specific information you can provide on the student's history of service and leadership would be greatly appreciated.

Once completed, sign and date the page, then return the document(s) to the student for inclusion in his/her scholarship application packet. The deadline for receipt of completed packets is Friday, April 12th, 2019.

Our Livonia Kiwanis Scholarship Committee sincerely appreciates your time spent assisting this student. Thank you!