



# Knights of Columbus

Redwood Council 3103

## HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATING SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Eel River Valley Community

Application deadline: Post Marked by April 30th. 2025

Name \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

This scholarship is for \$1,000.00. \$500.00 will be awarded after the enrollment of the first Semester, \$500.00 will be awarded after the enrollment of the second semester.

To answer the following, a computer word processor is recommended.

Your application will be judged on the following criteria:

Transcript & Letter of recommendation; Completeness & Organization; Content, Clarity & Grammar of the Narrative in completing the following:

- A. Attach an essay of no more than 300 words describing the importance of the ideas of service to community and your Catholic Faith.
- B. Attach a letter of recommendation from your Parish Priest or Deacon.
- C. Attach a copy of your most recent grade transcripts.
- D. Attach a list of three activities in which you have been involved in, during school time. Describe and tell why these activities were important to you.
- E. Attach a list of three activities in which you have been involved in, outside of school time. Describe and tell why these activities were important to you.
- F. Attach a description of your educational plans, career goals, and name of college you will be attending.
- G. Attach a short message on “what does the Knights of Columbus mean to you?”
- H. Is your Father, Grandfather, or other relative a member of the Knights of Columbus?  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Return completed application and attachments to:

St Joseph Parish Office

2312 Newburg Road

Fortuna, Ca. 95540

For questions please call 707-499-2585

**Establishment of Student Scholarship Program:  
BY LAWS:**

**Redwood Council 3103 Eel River Valley, of the Knights of Columbus does hereby establish a Student Scholarship Program (SSP). It is the intent of the Redwood Council 3103 that two \$1,000 scholarships be awarded each year.**

**1. Eligibility Requirements for SSP Applicants:**

- a. The Applicant must be in their Senior year.
- b. The application packet must be complete and returned by the stated date on the application.
- c. The applicant must be in good academic and behavioral standing with their current school.
- d. Must be a practicing member of the Roman Catholic Church
- e. Must be a resident of the Eel River Valley area.
  - i. Redwood Valley area includes Garberville, Scotia, Rio Dell, Fortuna, Loleta, Hydesville, Ferndale., and the other smaller towns within this area.\*\*

**\*\*The Council reserves the right to deviate from the eligibility criteria noted above for good cause, including, but not limited to: the student's family resided in the Eel River Valley Area for at least 5 previous years but moved out of the Area in the 12 months prior to the scholarship application; the family of the student regularly attends our Council Meetings, but lives out of the area.**

- f. Applicants do not need to be related to a member of the Redwood Council, but if they do, they will be awarded one extra point on their score sheet, by each judge.

**2. Council obligations:**

**The council must set the due date for the applications each year. The date must coordinate with the school's presentation of awards, and must give the judges adequate time to do their evaluations.**

- a. A committee of at least four members will read and evaluate each applicant in a timely manner. After the applications are evaluated, the committee member will tally up the students scores.
- b. The committee will meet as a group and discuss their evaluation sheets with each other.
- c. The committee will give the council a verbal evaluation of all applicants.
  - i. How did the applicants rank on the evaluating sheets.
  - ii. What are the educational & career goals of all the applicants.
  - iii. The committee will give their recommendations on who should receive the two scholarships to the Council.
  - iv. If the committee deems it justifiable that more than two recipients deserve a scholarship, They must bring the proposal to the Council for consideration.
- d. The committee will prepare certificates to be given to the recipients at their schools award ceremonies.
- e. The committee will select a member or members to present the scholarships to the recipients at their school's awards ceremonies, and at our Installation of Officer's dinner.
- f. The committee will send letters of congratulations to the winning recipients, and letters of support and encouragement to the other applicants.
- g. Publication of notices in church bulletins, and in our local newspapers.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS REDWOOD COUNCIL 3103**

**2025 Scholarship Scoring**

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_

Rate the following criteria on a scale of 1 through 5 with 5 being the maximum.

Award 1 additional point if Father, Grandfather, or other family member is/was a member of the Knights of Columbus

GRADES: SCORE \_\_\_\_\_

LETTER OF RECCOMDATION: SCORE \_\_\_\_\_

COMPLETENESS & ORGANIZATION: SCORE \_\_\_\_\_

CHECK FOR CONTENT, CLARITY & GRAMMAR ON THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

ESSAY ON SERVICE TO COMMUNITY & WHAT CATHOLICISM MEANS TO ME:

SCORE \_\_\_\_\_

INVOLVEMENT IN ACTIVITIES: SCORE \_\_\_\_\_

EDUCATIONAL PLAN & CAREER GOALS: SCORE \_\_\_\_\_

FAMILY MEMBER OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: SCORE \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL SCORE \_\_\_\_\_

Evaluator's name: \_\_\_\_\_