

Democratic Woman's Club of Kentucky

SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS

Applicant Must:

1. Be registered as a member of the Kentucky Democrat Party or submit a notarized statement that applicant will do so upon reaching voting age.
2. Both parents/guardians or the custodial parent/guardian in a single family household must be registered as a member of the Kentucky Democratic Party.
3. Plan to attend an accredited Kentucky Institution of Higher Learning.
4. Have a minimum 3.0 cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA).
5. Submit an official academic transcript from their school verifying their cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA).
6. Submit official ACT Score.
7. Submit a list of activities he/she has participated in on behalf of the Democratic Party (BE SPECIFIC).

(Examples of such activities may include, but are not limited to the following; assisting with Democratic campaigns, assisting with voter registration drive(s), telephoning for Democratic candidates, distributing campaign literature, voting (if 18 before November election)

8. Submit a list of activities he/she is involved with in their school and community.
9. Submit a list of Special Recognitions/Honors received.
10. Obtain Two (2) character reference letters from persons not related to applicant;
one (1) from school,
one (1) from the community
(Letters MUST be attached to the application and not submitted separately.)

11. Submit a typed, one-page (double-spaced) essay on why he/she supports the Democratic Party.
12. Submit a completed and signed DWCK Scholarship Application.
13. Submit the total Scholarship Packet (all items listed above) to their local Democratic Woman's Club by the club's deadline date. The local club will select and forward their scholarship winner to the DWCK Scholarship Chair by March 15, 2018. 2018 Chair is Estelle Bayer, 60 Abbottsford Dr., Richmond, KY 40475. DWCK will not accept Scholarship Packets from any source (individuals, guidance counselors, teachers, school officials) other than the local club.

NOTE: If the applicant is chosen as a state scholarship winner, he/she MUST prepare and present a four (4) minute speech at the DWCK Annual Convention in Bardstown on Oct 20, 2018.

The speech will include;

Why the applicant is a Democrat,

What are his/her future plans/goals, and

What the DWCK Scholarship means to them.

The DWCK will provide one night's lodging (one hotel room) at the convention hotel and three tickets (for recipient and parents) to the Saturday morning agenda, when the scholarship winner will be presented with his/her scholarship.

**DEMOCRATIC WOMAN'S CLUB OF KENTUCKY
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Applicant's name: _____

Address: _____

Name(s) of Parents or Guardians and Address:

Are both parents/guardians registered as members of the Democratic Party? _____

(In the event the applicant lives within a single parent/guardian home, that parent/guardian must be registered as a member of the Kentucky Democratic Party).

Are you registered with the Kentucky Democratic Party? _____
(or declare to so at voting age)

School currently attending: _____

Student Classification (Class Ranking):

Cumulative High School Grade Point Average (GPA): _____

Official ACT Score: _____

School of Choice: _____

Intended Major: _____ Intended Minor: _____

Attach the following to this application:

1. List of activities you have participated in on behalf of the Democratic Party (BE SPECIFIC).
2. List of activities pertaining to School and Community.
3. List of Special Recognitions or Honors received.
4. Two (2) character reference letters from persons not related to you in the following categories: Community (1); School (1)

1. Official School Transcript.
2. Essay on why you support the Democratic Party. Essay must be one page, double-spaced and typed.
3. Notarized declaration that applicant will register with the KDP upon his/her reaching voting age.

Award winner will be required to attend DWCK State Convention in the fall to receive the scholarship award and give a four (4) minute talk on:

Why I am a Democrat

What are my future goals

What the DWCK Scholarship means to me.

I also understand that my failure to do so could result in my not receiving the scholarship award.

I agree to do so: _____(please initial)

Applicant's Signature: _____

Date: _____

SCHOLARSHIP SCORECARD (Scored on a scale 1-10)

1. Grade Point Average (GPA)
2. Activities pertaining to the Democratic Party
 - In school
 - In community
 - Assist with Democratic candidate campaigns
 - Assist with voter registration drive(s)
 - Telephone for Democratic nominees
 - Distribute literature
 - Vote (if 18 before November election)
3. Activities pertaining to
 - School
 - Civic or community club
4. Two (2) character reference letters from persons not related to applicant:
 - one (1) from school,
 - one (1) from community
 letters MUST be attached to the application.
5. Brief (one page, double-spaced and typed) essay on why you support the Democratic Party.

Sample Bulletin for Schools/Newspapers

DEMOCRATIC WOMAN'S CLUB OF KENTUCKY SCHOLARSHIP TO BE AWARDED

Scholarship Amount: \$1,000

Who may apply: Any graduating senior (female or male), who plans to attend an accredited Kentucky Institution of Higher Learning.

Requirements:

- Minimum 3.0 Grade Point Average (GPA)
- Demonstrated leadership ability through active participation in school clubs, extracurricular activities, and by working on behalf of Democratic nominees in the General Election.
- Must be a registered Democrat, or if not of voting age, must demonstrate intention of doing so.
- Both parents/guardians or the custodial parent, in a single parent household, must be registered as a member of the Kentucky Democratic Party.
- Submit a one-page essay on "Why I support the Democratic Party."
- Submit 2 character reference letters from (1) a school official and (1) a person in the community.
- Complete and sign the DWCK Scholarship Application.

Application Process:

- All applications must be turned into the local Democratic Woman's Club.
- Local club deadline is usually mid-February. After review of all local applications submitted, the local Democratic Woman's Club Scholarship Committee will nominate and forward the winning application, along with a letter of introduction, to the Democratic Woman's Club of Kentucky Scholarship Chair for competition at the state level. Local club must postmark State level applications by March 15.
- All decisions by the Democratic Woman's Club of Kentucky Scholarship Committee are final.
- DWCK Scholarship Committee will notify the local Democratic Woman's Club of the Scholarship Winner. The local club will notify their local applicants.