



Catholic Daughters of the Americas  
Our Lady of the Mystical Rose, Court 2399  
Scholarship Application 2020-2021

## Eligibility and Requirements

### Eligibility:

1. The applicant must be an active, registered member of St. Philip Catholic Church.
2. The applicant must be a graduating senior of the 2020-2021 school year and provide the most recent **copy** of his/her high school transcript.

### Requirements:

3. The applicant must submit a Letter of Acceptance from the college, university, or trade/technical school he/ she will be attending in the Fall 2021 semester. The scholarship is to be used in the Fall 2021 after which it will no longer be disbursed.
4. Sections 1 through 4 of Part II are to be **completed in typed resume format**.
5. Each applicant must submit a **typed** essay **addressing the required essay question in Part II**. The essay should be a minimum of 300 words and not exceed 500 words. It must be typed and double-spaced. The essay will be judged on organization, format, grammar, and content.
6. Each applicant must sign the **Student Certification Statement** on Part III that the Essay is their own creation.
7. The applicant must include a portrait style/headshot photograph (senior cap and gown preferred) no larger than 4 X 6 inches to be displayed in the parish hall for one year. It is requested the applicants stay after the graduation Mass for a group photograph.
8. Two (2) letters of recommendation from a non-family member must be provided. Letters should be typed, signed, and must have the name, title, address, and phone number of the writer. Submit each of the following in sealed envelopes: one letter from each of the categories listed below and one letter from either of the categories below.
  - (1) A high school principal, assistant principal, counselor, coach, teacher or an organization where he/she has volunteered.
  - (2) A St. Philip Catholic RelEd Director, Youth Director, Deacon, RelEd teacher, Knight of Columbus, music minister or other St. Philip church ministry leader.
9. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.
10. **Submission of the Application – Due to COVID-19:** We request all applications be sent by email to [ysshaffer@tamu.edu](mailto:ysshaffer@tamu.edu) by the due date of April 9, 2021, noon CST. (If you do not have access to a scanner - There are several apps that allow you to take a picture of your application by photographing it with your smart phone. Such as Fastscanner) For further questions, contact **Yvette Shaffer** [ysshaffer@tamu.edu](mailto:ysshaffer@tamu.edu) or call **(361) 289-7905 xt. 223**. Or, you may drop off your application at the Parish Office by the due date. Please place in a sealed large envelope addressed to CDA Scholarship.



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**PART I: (Please type or print clearly)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please type or print clearly) Last First Middle

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip

Telephone Number(s): (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

What is your intended major? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you or a family member been a paid member of the Catholic Daughters or Junior Catholic Daughters of Americas in the 6 months prior to submitting this application? YES or NO  
(Paid membership is subject to verification)

If yes, name of the member: \_\_\_\_\_

Leadership Position(s) if any: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of your/her court: \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_

**CDA Disclosure**

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas (CDA), Court 2399, administers a scholarship that emphasizes service to church, community, and family and considers academics. Recipient winners will be announced and certificates awarded at the Spring St. Philip the Apostle graduation Mass. Winner's names will be engraved on a plaque permanently displayed in the parish hall. The scholarship funds will be sent directly to the educational institution indicated on the recipients' applications.

Please ensure accuracy, as all information may be verified. All supporting documents, etc., become the property of CDA. No personal information will be shared without the express consent of the recipient.

The decision of CDA is final and not subject to justification. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. Failure to comply with these terms and conditions will render the applicant ineligible. In the event the recipient is not able to accept the scholarship, the funds may be redistributed as directed by the committee.



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**PART II:** Complete your high school resume into four sections as listed below (Similar to the ApplyTexas ‘Extracurricular’ format, please examples).

**Section 1:** **School/Community Activities:** UIL programs (athletics, music, theatre, academics, scouting) (Include leadership positions, if any)

Examples:

2015-2019	<b>High School Basketball</b> , - Varsity Member and JV Captain Attended practices and games and coached/mentored JV members	15 hours/week 40 weeks/year
2018-2019	<b>Spanish Club</b> , - member and 2019 President Participated, led and organized Spanish cultural high school events	1 hour/month

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**Section 2:** **Community service related to school/community:** (do not include parish service in this section)

Example:

2016-2019	<b>Special Olympics</b> , Corpus Christi, TX Volunteered at the annual Special Olympics as timer	8 hours/year
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**Section 3:** **Talent/Awards:** UIL Competition Award, ROTC Honor Cadet, Valedictorian, Volunteer of the Month, Eagle Scout, etc.

Examples:

May 2017	<b>Eagle Scout Award</b> – Troop 87
May 2018	<b>Perfect attendance</b> - Flour Bluff High School

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**Section 4:** **Parish Activities:** altar server, religious education, choir, lector, usher, etc. (leadership positions, if any) and community service related to church activities.

Examples

2017-2019	<b>Vacation Bible School Volunteer</b> , Leader Coordinated and supervised VBS for children ages 4-12	25 hours/year
2018	<b>Picnic clean up</b> ST. Philip the Apostle Church	12 hours

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**Required Essay:** Please respond fully to the following prompt in a 300-500 word typed essay. **Do not** mention your name or make any identifying reference within the essay or on the essay.

**How has COVID -19 impacted your faith, family and stewardship within your church community?**



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**PART III:**

**Student Certification**

I attest that this essay is my own original creation and that the information on the application is accurate.

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICANT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ agree to allow my school counselor to release the above information for the purpose of applying for a college scholarship. I attest that the information contained herein is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

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

**PARENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ understand that my son/daughter \_\_\_\_\_ is applying for the CDA Court 2399 scholarship. I have read the scholarship disclosure, eligibility and requirements and agree to comply with them. I further understand that failure to abide by the terms of this program will render my son/daughter ineligible. I attest that the information contained herein is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

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