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Application
Richard T. Robinson Scholarship

The Richard T. Robinson Scholarship is open to any high school senior who resides in Washington or Greene County, is blind, legally blind or visually impaired, is the child of a blind, legally blind, or visually impaired parent or who is attending a school of higher learning with the goal of working with people with special needs. The student must be attending a college, university or trade school in the fall of 2017. Only one scholarship in the amount of **\$1,000** is awarded each year. The deadline for the Scholarship application is **April 28, 2017**. All entries must be received or postmarked by the deadline to be reviewed for the award. The winner will be contacted on or before May 19, 2017.

Name: _____
 First MI Last

Address: _____
 Street Apt.

 City State Zip code

County: _____ Home Phone: () _____

Date of Birth: _____ Sex: () M () F

Email Address: _____

- I am: 1) _____ Blind 2) _____ Legally Blind 3) _____ Visually Impaired
- 4) _____ The child of a blind, legally blind or visually impaired parent or grandparent.

If Option #4 is chosen, please list Parent's Name: _____

- 5) _____ Planning on a course of study that will result in my working with people with special needs.

Name: _____

Name of High School: _____

Address: _____

Guidance Counselor: _____

Guidance Counselor's Telephone: (_____) _____

Course of Study in High School: _____
(Business, Vocational, Honors, etc.)

List organizations/activities that you have been involved in during your high school career. Indicate any leadership roles.

List any awards or honors that you have received during your high school career.

List your educational interest(s) and/or possible major.

Please answer one of the following essay questions. Your answer should be between 500 and 1000 words. The essay must be typewritten, double-spaced and submitted on a separate sheet(s) of paper. The essay will be judge on the following criteria:

50% Content

25% Creativity

25% Presentation and Organization

Remember – spelling and grammar are important.

- 1) If your parent(s) or grandparent(s) are visually impaired, how has that affected your life and your upbringing?
- 2) In what ways has your visual impairment affected you?
- 3) If you had “normal” vision, what would you do that you cannot do right now?
- 4) What abilities or skills do you have that will help you to be successful in working with people with special needs?

Please be sure to submit the following with your application. If you need more room for any of your answers, enclose them on a separate sheet of paper, indicating which question(s) you are answering. Be sure to put your name on the paper.

Proof of blindness or visual impairment for yourself or your parent(s)

Copy of College acceptance letter

Two (2) Letters of Recommendation from non-family members (pastor, teacher, coach, etc.)

Official high school transcript

Your complete application must be received or postmarked by April 28, 2017.

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If you have any questions, you may call (724) 228-0770 between 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM Monday through Friday.