

## Amity High School Scholarship Application Guidelines

In an effort to ensure that scholarship applications meet the highest possible quality standards, Amity High School has established the following guidelines:

- ✓ All applications must be proofed to assure neatness and proper spelling and grammar usage.
- ✓ The application must include all of the requested materials or it will not be accepted.
- ✓ **All** questions must be answered **clearly** and **completely**, using complete sentences. (it is highly recommended that you provide all pertinent information that helps to clarify your response.)
- ✓ **All** applications must be accompanied with a signed statement that your parent or guardian has reviewed your complete application.
- ✓ Your application must be received prior to the deadline established for submittal.

I want to remind you that our scholarship donors really appreciate students that put the necessary time and effort into the application process.

Good luck and thanks in advance for turning in the quality applications that I know Amity students are capable of!

Jeff Clark, Superintendent  
Amity School District 4

## How to Use & Print the AHS Fillable Scholarship Application

1. Create a new file folder, make this your destination for all of your scholarships.
2. Download the scholarship file, save the scholarship in the folder you have just created. You will be accessing and using the newly saved scholarship.
3. Open the scholarship that has been saved to your new folder. If you fill in the application directly after opening it from the website nothing that you type in will be saved. You have to: Open/Download/Save/Re-open.

It is recommended that you use Google Docs to write your essays and create your activity lists; then copy/paste into your application.

# SAMI

## Service, Advocacy, Mentorship and Inclusivity Scholarship

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Students seeking to apply for the Service, Advocacy, Mentorship, and Inclusivity (SAMI) Scholarship will create a service project that centers around one (or all) of the themes in the scholarship title. The Project that is created must be something the applicant feels will benefit and positively impact their community. Community will be defined by the student, it could mean friends, family, neighbors, school, town, animals, planet, or organizations. Service projects must be created and planned by the applicant.

### **Examples of service projects can include but are not limited to:**

- Starting a campaign at your school to help include students who are new or left out.
- Picking up litter around your town for an hour every weekend.
- Building a ramp for a neighbor who is having a hard time getting into/out of their house.
- Mentoring another student in a subject or skill that they ask for help with.
- Repairing a broken wheelbarrow for the Community Garden by welding it back together.
- Putting on a spoken word poetry event for the town to attend.
- Creating an advocacy campaign at your school for Healthy Relationships during Teen Dating or Violence Awareness Month in February.
- Reading to students at the Elementary School or younger siblings.
- Planting trees in your neighborhood, or starting a food drive for a local food pantry.
- Raising funds or bringing awareness to a cause you feel is important.

### **Students seeking to apply for this scholarship must meet the following criteria:**

1. Be a Senior at Amity High School.
2. Plan to be attending a community college, 4-year college, vocational school, service program such as AmeriCorps or Peace Corps, branch of the military or working. Student must be starting in any of the above options no later than the fall after graduation.

**Scholarship amount:** Three scholarships will be awarded, one for \$1000, and two for \$750

**Selection Committee:** The selection committee shall consist of at least 6 past Amity High School Alumni and Community Members chosen by the Cox family. The selection committee will not be given the names of applicants and will score each service project based on the sincerity, creativity, and reasoning of the applicants. **All service projects have value and will be treated as such regardless of the topic matter of the service project (for example reading to students is just as important as helping fix a neighbor's car or picking up trash.) It is important for a service project to be something the applicant genuinely wants to do and feels would be beneficial for their community.**

**Due Date:** Applications are to be completed and returned to the ASPIRE Coordinator on or before **May 7th, 2019 by 3:00 pm.**

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**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Service project title:** \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please attach pictures, videos, and documents that you feel are important to understand your service project.

**Estimated hours spent on service project:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Plans upon graduation from Amity High School:**

**If selected as a recipient of the scholarship, how do you plan to use the funds?**

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**Please answer the following question on a separate sheet of paper. You may write as much as you feel is needed to fully answer the questions.**

1. Thank you for spending time supporting your community. What service project did you choose to create? Why was it important to you? How did your service project benefit your community?
2. Was there anything about implementing your project that was challenging for you? If so, how did you adapt? What is something that you learned about yourself during your project?
3. Who do you consider your community? What are some of the ways you recognize your community has supported you in your life? (If you feel like you have not been supported by your community so far, what do you plan to do to help make it so others feel supported in the future?)

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT: The information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_