#### Downing Middle School PTA Scholarship

# "Life Lesson's" Scholarship Program 2020

- 1. **DEADLINE** for scholarship applications is **Friday**, **April 17th**, **2020** by **4:10** p.m. See criteria below for eligibility requirements.
- 2. Refer to application process below for a list of the supporting documents needed (i.e., reference forms, evidence of GPA, etc.) Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- 3. Type or print legibly. You may also download a copy of the application online at the Downing Middle School Webpage.
- 4. If you have any questions about the application, please call Christy Doleshal 973-479-1388.

**Purpose:** To provide a scholarship to a deserving High School Senior interested in or intending to pursue post-high school course of study at either college/university or other post-secondary educational institution.

*Award Component:* There will be **one \$500 scholarship** selected by members of the DMS PTA Scholarship Committee.

#### Criteria:

- 1. Applicant must be a DMS alumni from the Class of 2016.
- 2. Applicant must be a graduating high school senior in the year of the award (2020).
- 3. Applicant must demonstrate positive-impact involvement in the complete sense consistent with capacity and circumstances and/or significant improvement/success in scholarship and community involvement, determined through letters of recommendation.
- 4. Applicant must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher
- 5. Applicant or family member must be a member of PTA or PTSA

## **Application Process:**

Applicant **must** submit the following items:

- 1. Completed application form (if handwritten, please print legibly)
- 2. Minimum of 1 and maximum of 2 letters of recommendations from choice of high school teachers, administrators, counselors, employers, or individual with significant knowledge of applicant's experience and involvement.
- 3. A recent high school transcript with cumulative grade point average. A copy of your most recent transcript will be accepted.
- 4. Personal Essay.

## Life Lesson Essay

*Deadline* for the application is **Friday, April 17, 2020.** Applications postmarked after this date will not be considered.

Please mail OR submit application in person to:

Downing Middle School PTA ATTN: Christy Doleshal 5555 Bridlewood Blvd Flower Mound, TX. 75028



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Applicants for this scholarship must have be a Downing Middle School Alumni, have a current family or student membership in the PTS/PTSA and must enroll in a two or fouryear college or university or other post secondary educational institution for the fall of 2020. An essay is also to be submitted with your application.

Your scholarship application will be number coded for a blind review. This page will be removed and maintained by the PTA. Form must be completed in ink.

Please return all 4-5 pages of you Downing Middle School 5555 Bridlewood Blvd. Flower Mound, TX 75028 Attn: Christy Doleshal	ur completed	application by April 1	17, 2020 to:	
Name of Student		First	Middle	-
Parent's Names				
Permanent mailing address of ap	oplicant:			
Street				
City, State, Zip Code	/			_
Telephone/Email				
Are you and/or your family a curre Yes No	ent member (	of PTA/PTSA?		
College, University or Post Secor	ndary Educat	ional institute attendi	ng?	
Full Time Student: Yes No	0			
Anticipated Major Field of Study:				
Code # - PTA use only				

## PART 1 – Academic Information

Current GPA (weighted)

## PART 2 – Participation and Leadership

List HS activities, organizations and/or related awards:

List Community activities, organizations, and/or awards during your high school years:

Offices held in High School or any private club or organization:

## PART 3 – Life Lessons Essay Question

On a separate piece of 8 ½ x 11 printer paper, please respond to the following: "What would you describe as your most important life lesson or defining moment in your life?" Explain what happened and how it changed your point of view, goals, and/or behavior.

# PLEASE DO NOT PUT YOUR NAME ON YOUR ESSAY

## PART 4 – Letters of Reference (maximum of 2)

Please attach to your application a letter of reference from a faculty member, community member and/or both.

# PART 5 – Certification of Eligibility

I understand the eligibility requirements for the Downing Middle School PTA Scholarship and that all information on this application was completed by me and is accurate. I also understand that if I am awarded a scholarship for which my situation has changed and I no longer meet the criteria, I will contact the Downing Middle School PTA and inform them of these changes. I realize that I may, at that time, lose the scholarship.

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