



OCI Foundation Scholarship Application

Dear Applicant:

In order to be considered for the Orthopedic Center of Illinois Foundation Scholarship, the following application must be completed in its entirety.

This scholarship is for \$5,000 (\$1,250 per year, renewable up to four years, provided the recipient is in good standing). The recipient must be majoring in a healthcare-related field.

This scholarship can be used to defray eligible expenditures such as tuition, room and board, or fees associated with attending a college/university. These items are to be considered necessities for a student's education at an institute of higher learning.

The recipient's choice of college or university will receive payment upon registration and verification of acceptance. If the student/recipient fails to enroll or begin classes, changes majors to a non-healthcare related field, or terminates their education for any reason prior to completion of their degree, the scholarship will be revoked.

Applications must be completed in full and returned to OCIF, NFP Officers for consideration. All requirements must be met before the applicant can be considered for this scholarship. Recipients will be notified by mail if they are awarded an OCIF, NFP Scholarship. **Deadline to apply is March 15, 2024.**

Employees of OCI and their immediate family members are not eligible for this scholarship.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact the Orthopedic Center of Illinois for assistance.

Orthopedic Center of Illinois Foundation, NFP

Family Background

Mother (or guardian) name & address: _____

Father (or guardian) name & address: _____

Occupation—Mother: _____ Father: _____

Number of siblings: _____ Number in college: _____

School Record

High School: _____

Graduation date: _____ GPA: _____ Class rank: _____ of _____

School Activities - Briefly describe all activities in which you have participated (e.g. music, student government, sports) - use an additional page if needed:

Activity/Office Held	Years

Awards/Honors - Briefly state any awards or honors you have received in high school:

Award or Honor	By Whom Given

Community Activities - List and describe your involvement in community activities (e.g. Boys & Girls Club, 4-H, church activities) - use an additional page if needed:

Activity/Organization	# of years

Work Experience - Describe your work experience during the past four years – use additional page if needed:

Company & Position	Dates of Employment	# of Hours/Week

Financial Information

Total Household Income:

- Below \$35,000
- \$36,000 - \$55,000
- \$56,000 - \$75,000
- \$76,000 - \$95,000
- \$96,000 - \$125,000
- \$126,000 - \$145,000

- \$146,000 - \$165,000
- Above \$166,000

Number of dependents: _____

If you are chosen for this scholarship, please be prepared to verify annual household income.

Are you or will you be receiving any other scholarship funds? Yes No

If yes, list each source and amount: _____

Unusual Circumstances

Please briefly describe an unusual family or personal circumstance(s) that have affected your achievements in school, work experience, or your participation in school and community activities.

Miscellaneous

List any other information you believe should be considered by the Selection Committee.

References

It is the responsibility of the applicant to provide a letter of recommendation from:

- **A current teacher or high school administrator (#1 Academic Letter of Recommendation)**

Name of your reference: _____ Phone #: _____

- **A community member (non-relative and non-school affiliated) (#2 Letter of Recommendation)**

Name of your reference: _____ Phone #: _____

***Please give the attached Letter of Recommendation forms to your references for completion.
Note: These Letters of Recommendation should be mailed directly to:***

**OCI Foundation Scholarship Fund
c/o Selection Committee
1301 S. Koke Mill Road
Springfield, IL 62711**

Personal Statement

Please answer the following questions (about a paragraph) on a separate sheet:

- What course of study will you pursue? Briefly describe your career aspirations.
- Why do you feel community service is important and how do you plan to contribute to your community during and after college?
- Describe an ethical dilemma you faced and explain how you resolved it.

Certification

I certify that the information provided in this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Falsification of information may result in termination of any scholarship granted.

Parent (or Guardian's) Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____



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#1 - Academic Letter of Recommendation for: _____
(Reference must be a current teacher or high school administrator) **Applicant's Name**

Please take a few minutes to respond. **APPLICATION DEADLINE is March 15, 2024** and the Letter of Recommendation must be postmarked by that date.

In what context do you know the applicant?

How often does the applicant exhibit the following characteristics:

	Seldom	Sometimes	Usually	Always
Leadership	1	2	3	4
Perseverance	1	2	3	4
Honesty	1	2	3	4
Cooperation	1	2	3	4
Integrity	1	2	3	4
Moral Values	1	2	3	4
Citizenship	1	2	3	4

3. Please comment briefly on the applicant's character, academic performance, extra-curricular activities and/or other relevant information. *(You may use this form or official school letterhead.)*

Signature

Date: _____

Print/Type Name: _____

Return to:
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1301 S. Koke Mill Road
Springfield, IL 62711

Phone: _____

Email: _____



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#2 - Academic Letter of Recommendation for: _____
(Reference must be non-relative and non-school affiliated) **Applicant's Name**

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