

The mission of The Center School Foundation Scholarship is to empower and enable high schools students with disabilities to (a) go to college, (b) realize the impact their contributions can make on their community, and (c) target a career in an industry where they will thrive in their community. A primary goal of this scholarship is to increase the pool of persons living with a disability, who enroll in higher education and, in the long term, decrease the unemployment bias for this demographic.

This scholarship will identify promising high school seniors who have potential to enter and successfully complete a college program. The amount of this non-renewable scholarship to be awarded is \$1000, to five (5) New Jersey applicants. There will be three (3) recipients from The Center School and two (2) recipients from an outside community, who reside in Somerset or Middlesex counties. These scholarships are paid through The Center School Foundation to the recipient's school's Financial Aid Office.

All candidates must be high school senior students, classified with an IEP, who plan to attend a 2 to 4 year University or College. Each applicant who is awarded a scholarship is required to submit a copy of their acceptance letter.

** CHECK LIST FOR THE CENTER SCHOOL FOUNDATION HS SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION **

Please follow these directions carefully and observe all deadlines.

Note: Applications must be submitted electronically by Wednesday, June 10, 2015. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Please submit your application to: April Minetti, aminetti@thecenterschool.com

Please check to be sure you have personally completed or included the following:

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION [Pages 2]

AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL SUMMARY [Page 3]

Include information about your life goals, activities, experience, etc.

Email your document OR multi-media project (video, Prezi, photography, etc – GET CREATIVE!).

TWO (2) LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION [Page 4]

The recommendation letters must be included in your application packet.

Your letter may be from a school employee, an employer, or a community member. The letter may not be from a relative.

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AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL SUMMARY

Name of Applicant: _____

Your autobiography should give the committee an insight to you as a person as well as your future personal and educational goals. The committee is interested in knowing you more personally. An autobiography summary should be written in narrative form and should be no less than 250 words and not more than 500 words. Please use additional pages if necessary. A multi-media presentation should be no more than three (3) minutes in length.

When preparing your written summary or multi-media presentation, BE CREATIVE and HAVE FUN.

Tell us who you are. For example, tell us about your interesting or unusual hobby, part-time job and/or goal shaping experiences.

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LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Name of Applicant: _____

TO THE ADVOCATE: The Selection Committee will give great weight to your letter of recommendation. Please give us your personal impressions of the applicant's character and the quality of their previous work, leadership potential, personality and future plans. Also, please indicate the length of time you have been acquainted with the applicant and in what capacity. *[Please use additional pages if necessary.]*