2027 Scholarship Guidelines

The Kiwanis Club of Rolling Hills Estates is pleased to offer ten tuition vocational scholarships to 11th, 12th and graduating high school students. Applications are accepted year-round. Any prospective student attending or graduating from the specified schools who plans to pursue an eligible Vocational Technical course may apply. Persons enrolling in a 4-year course leading to a Bachelor's Degree are NOT eligible. All applicants must be citizens of the United States of America on the date the application is filed.

Applications will be limited to students from those attending the following high schools:

1. Peninsula
2. Palos Verdes
3. San Pedro
4. Port of Los Angeles
5. Rancho Del Mar
6. Angel's Gate

WHAT PROGRAMS ARE ELIGIBLE? An eligible program shall be defined as a two-year or less Vocational Technical program, culminating in an Associate Degree, Diploma, Certificate, License, or other evidence of completion. This grant may not be used for courses at or below the high school level. If work-related certification or recertification is required, the job must require a high school diploma or equivalent, and the school must be in the United States.

The Kiwanis is also offering summer scholarships to the Vocational and Occupational Learning in Technology program (VOLT). The program is limited to those students who do not intend to go on to college and are at the 11th and 12th grade in high school. The hands-on training program is intended as an introduction to the basics of Computer-Aided Design (AI) and 3D printing. For this program applications must be received on or before June 25, 2027 with classes starting in the first week of July and ending in the last week of August The class will be held at the Palos Verdes on the Net (PVNet) technology center at 550 Deep Valley Dr., Ste #229 in Rolling Hills Estates. For more information on the center, email education@pvnet.com or phone (310) 541-7992. Classes will be held on Mondays & Wednesdays from 10am - 2pm.

Where to File: The scholarship application may be downloaded from the Kiwanis website at www.kiwanisclubrhe.org. The completed application including the required attachment should be emailed Brooks.sbc@gmail.com.

Your application and the required attachments must be submitted as one pdf document. We will not accept multiple documents, Zip files or Google Docs. Be sure your name is in the file names.

HOW DOES THIS GRANT WORK? The grants range from $500 to $1,000. Each grant is for a one-year term, with the option to renew for an additional year. The sum of both years could be up to $2,000. After the Kiwanis Scholarship Committee approves, payment will be made to the school. Payments are conditional upon the student's enrollment in the vocational/technical course in the school, as shown on the application. Payments cannot be made directly to the student. Upon the Kiwanis receipt of the "Verification of Enrollment" form completed by the proper school officials, a Kiwanis Foundation check will be forwarded to the school to establish a credit for the student for that school year. Payments may not be used to cover charges incurred before grant approval. Unexpended credit is subject to with-drawal if the student's conduct contradicts the principles of law and order.

The grant may be used for tuition, fees, room and board (if living on campus), books, and supplies. It may be used only for the usual and required costs of a student's planned courses. It may not be used for general living expenses, such as apartment rent, mortgage payments, car expenses, or childcare costs.

The grant may also be withdrawn if the course of study changes.

The Kiwanis Foundation Vocational Grant Committee will notify applicants via email within not more than thirty days of receiving the application. Applications can be submitted year-round; however, the Kiwanis Foundation Vocational Grant Committee reviews applications from January through June.