

**Kearny High School – Komet Korner Scholarship
Scholarship for Students Graduating High School Spring 2014**

Application Instructions

Thank you for your interest in the 2013-2014 Kearny High School – Komet Korner Scholarship. The steps listed below will assist you in the completion of your application.

ALL APPLICANTS

This scholarship is merit based. Supplemental criteria assessed include extensive work responsibilities, medical and physical disabilities, first person in your family to attend college, extensive family responsibilities, service to the community and to the Komet Korner, participation in Komet Korner events and a commitment to pursuing higher education. Please include this information in your application.

Successful candidates should demonstrate leadership in extracurricular school activities, community activities, employment and/or personal situations. Strength of academic program and achievement, and grades are also considered. Applicants must be in good standing to graduate as the class of 2014, and be an active member at Kearny High School and in the community. Applicants must be also available for interviews, if requested by the scholarship selection committee.

KEARNY HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was established to recognize and support students committed to pursuing higher education. Student must prove enrollment in continuing education courses (community college, university, or trade school) in the fall of 2014 at the financial office and then a check will be made to the winners.

COMPLETING YOUR APPLICATION

- Scholarships application *and* **official transcript** (sealed)
- Personal, academic and extracurricular information
- Essay

LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

One letter of recommendation is required. It is recommended that the letter be written by a teacher, staff member, or anyone who can attest to your education and/or extra-curricular (no family members). Please include the letter with your application materials.

SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION

Please submit the following application materials in **ONE ENVELOPE (with your name clearly written on the envelope)**:

- Completed application
- Completed essay
- One letter of recommendation
- Official Transcript
- Acceptance letter from college or university (if possible).

Be sure to attach any additional pages to the back of the scholarship application. Please keep a copy of your completed application for your records.

Applications missing any element listed above are considered incomplete and will not be forwarded to the scholarship committee. **Completed applications must be turned in no later than MAY 12, 2014.** Late applications will not be accepted. Return completed applications to:

Mr. Camacho
Komet Korner (**during lunch time only**)

AWARDS

\$1,000 (Two \$500 Scholarships) will be given away to Kearny Students this school year.

**Kearny High School – Komet Korner
Scholarship Application
Due no later than May 12, 2014**

All Information on this application will be kept strictly confidential

Personal Information

Last Name		First Name		Middle Initial	
E-mail address					
Street Address					
City		State		ZIP Code	
Home phone ()			Message phone ()		
Prospective College Major			Career Goal(s)		
Date of Birth		Place of Birth		Gender (<i>optional</i>)	
				<input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male	
School: <input type="checkbox"/> CTA <input type="checkbox"/> DMD <input type="checkbox"/> SCT <input type="checkbox"/> SIB					

Family Information

Mother's Name		Place of Birth	
Father's Name		Place of Birth	

Please indicate highest level of formal education completed by mother (M) and father (F):

<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F No High School	<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F Some High School	<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F High School Graduate
<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F Some College	<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F 2-Year Degree	<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F 4-Year Degree <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F Post-Graduate Study

Student's Obligations – Please add additional pages as needed.

Family Responsibilities: please specify average number of hours/week.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND EMPLOYMENT: This section will help us determine the use of your time outside the classroom *while in high school*. List any other factors that bear on the use of that time including (but not limited to) employment, family obligations, rehearsals and any special projects such as research activities or creative endeavors. **You must** indicate the amount of time spent weekly on each activity.

Extracurricular Activities – Please add additional pages as needed.

Activity	Description (Note any leadership positions.)	Hours per Week	Dates Involved	
			From	To

Employment (paid) – Please add additional pages as needed.

Job Title	Description	Hours per Week	Dates Involved	
			From	To

Volunteer Work and Community Service (unpaid) – Please add additional pages as needed.

Organization	Description of Service or Work	Hours per Week	Dates Involved	
			From	To

Honors and Awards – Please add additional pages as needed.

Honor/Award Name	Description (Include nature and level of competition)	Received Date

After Graduation Plans

Name of Institution you will attend after high school: _____

Address of Institution's Financial Aid Office: _____

All Applicants must include a copy of the acceptance letter from the institution they plan to attend.
 (If at time of scholarship deadline you have not received your acceptance letter, please make sure that you submit in the fall to Kearny – proof of enrollment in a higher education institution to receive the scholarship – winners only).

Essay Instructions

You will be assessed on your ability to answer question 1 and your choice of 2 or 3. Be thoughtful and answer the question directly. Attach your responses to the essay to the application. The answer should NOT exceed 500 words and must be double spaced with 12 point font.

- Question:**
1. Describe how your school and community involvement has affected your high school experience. **(Must Answer)**
 2. Describe the three characteristics of leadership you value most, whether you believe you possess some or all of these qualities, and describe an experience where you developed or demonstrated these traits.
 3. Describe how a scholarship from Komet Korner will contribute toward your future goals.

(Please make sure to answer 2 or 3 – not both)

Certification

IMPORTANT: Your signature is required below. Without your signature, your application is not complete.

I certify that I have considered each question carefully and that my statements are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. Furthermore, I understand that a Kearny High School – Komet Korner Scholarship Award may be denied or revoked if any information is found to be incomplete or inaccurate.

Name of applicant

Signature of applicant (IN INK)

Date

(DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE)

Check off List

- Application
- Transcript
- Essay
- Letter of Recommendation
- Acceptance Letter to College

Last Name: _____