2023 “Leaders and Best” Scholarship Application

U of M Club of Downriver Annual Merit Awards

This year the University of Michigan Club of Downriver will award three merit-based scholarships (one-time awards of $1500) to three outstanding Downriver high school\* seniors who will attend one of the campuses of the University of Michigan. The awards are named after accomplished U of M personages from Downriver: Lloyd Carr, Kenneth Hartwell, and John and Sue Ghindia. We do this in order to support impressive representation of Downriver high school graduates at U. of M. Deadline for application is Wednesday, April 5, 2023. Six finalists will be interviewed individually via Zoom on Monday evening, April 17. We will communicate with each applicant and finalist via e-mail of results and set up finalist interviews, so your e-mail address below must be legible and one that you check regularly for updates. The three recipients will be announced at our spring dinner meeting in early May, date to be determined.

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Last First Middle Nick name active e-mail address

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Street City Zip Date of birth

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Name Student Cell Phone number

YOUR DOWNRIVER HIGH SCHOOL\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_DATE OF GRADUATION\_\_\_\_\_\_

HS CLASS RANK?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_HOW MANY STUDENTS IN YOUR CLASS?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN STATUS:

ADMITTED TO \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_FOR\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

UM Campus UM School/College Semester/Year

UM IDENTIFICATION NUMBER\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES, COMMUNITY SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP POSITIONS HELD IN HIGH SCHOOL:

In order of their importance to you, list your extracurricular activities, community service participation, and leadership positions held during your high school years. Include what the activity was, through what organization (please use the full name not just initials), and what leadership position you held. Put an x to show in what high school years you participated in each activity. Please be sure to include National Honor Society membership and your years of membership. You may prepare this table on a separate sheet and type your responses.

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| Activity | Organization | 9th | 10th | 11th | 12th | Position held |
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SCHOLASTIC HONORS YOU HAVE RECEIVED:

Complete this table regarding scholarship awards you have received during high school years. Include the name of the award, the organization that awarded it, the year received, and the level of the award whether local, regional, state or national. Again please use full names of organizations not acronyms. You may prepare this table on a separate sheet and type your responses.

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| Award | Organization | Year received | Level |
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EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE-SUMMERS (if any)

Complete this table about your summer employment. Include the name of your employer, the location of the employer, dates you worked there, and the position you held. You may prepare this table on a separate sheet and type your responses.

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| Employer | Work location | From (Mo./yr.) | To (Mo./yr.) | Position |
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EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE-REGULAR SCHOOL YEAR (if any)

Complete a similar table as above which details work experience during the academic school years, if any. You may prepare this table on a separate sheet and type your responses.

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| Employer | Work location | From (Mo./yr.) | To (Mo./yr.) | Position |
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ESSAY:

Your essay gives the committee an opportunity to know you as more than the statistics in this application. We are looking for direct personal experiences and observations with a fresh, original point of view.

Kindly respond to the following essay prompt in a concise **one-page only**, typed, double-spaced thought-provoking essay. We’re looking for original thought, not platitudes and clichés. Write your name in the center of the back of the page only.

Please expand upon a quotation or proverb of your choosing, which has significance in your life. An example of an appropriate starting point might be this: “If you are positive, you’ll see opportunities instead of obstacles.” – Confucius

I certify that all the information I have included in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge and that the essay is my own work.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_DATE\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

TIMELINE AND MAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

Please mail in one envelope all of the following:

1. This completed application form and any tables presented on separate sheets.
2. Your **one-page** double-spaced essay with your name in the center of the back only.
3. Your **official sealed** high school transcript, which includes the fall 2022 semester grades. You can have them sent directly to me or sealed in your application. Consider your school spring break calendar so that your request gets done in timely manner.
4. List your spring 2023 classes in progress on a separate sheet.
5. A list on a separate sheet of all the classes that you have taken which are advanced placement or college level work and the AP tests you have taken or will take.
6. A copy of your ACT and/or SAT reports.

Mail to Mrs. Katherine Hartwell, 28375 Elba Drive, Grosse Ile, MI 48138. Applications must be received by midnight Wednesday, April 5, 2023 and cannot be considered if late or incomplete. Please allow time for regular mail service. We have found expedited mail to be unreliable and expensive. *Do not send as “Signature required” as there may be no one available to accept it.* We’re sorry but e-mailed applications are not accepted. Thank you for your attention to detail in making this application. We at times have had to disqualify an applicant because the guidelines were not followed exactly, particularly the official transcript requirement.

\*High Schools in U of M Club of Downriver area

48101 Allen Park High Schools

48101 Cabrini High School

48101 Inner City Baptist

48111 Belleville High School

48117 Airport Senior High School

48122 Melvindale High School

48134 Flat Rock High School

48134 Woodhaven High School

48138 Grosse Ile High School

48146 Lincoln Park High School

48164 Huron High School

48173 Oscar A. Carlson High School

48174 Romulus Sr. High School

48180 Taylor High School

48183 Trenton High School

48192 Roosevelt High School

48193 Riverview High School

48193 Gabriel Richard High School

48195 Southgate Anderson High School

48218 River Rouge High School

48229 Ecorse Community High School

Or any private or charter high school in the above listed zip codes.