

The Cary Park Foundation is pleased to announce that it will award a limited number of individual \$500 scholarship(s) toward the future educational needs of students graduating high school in the spring of 2021 who plan on attending a college, junior or community college, university, or trade school in the fall of 2021, and who is a current or former employee or have significant volunteer experience with the Cary Park District.

Submission deadline is April 9, 2021. Applications should be submitted to:

Dan Jones, Secretary  
The Cary Park Foundation  
c/o Cary Park District  
255 Briargate Rd.  
Cary, IL 60013



Cary Park Foundation  
Scholarship Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of High School/Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Educational intentions (name of college, junior or community college, university, or trade school) in the fall of 2021: \_\_\_\_\_

Intended field of academic pursuit: \_\_\_\_\_

Web address to video link: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Be a student graduating high school in the spring of 2021 and attending a college, junior or community college, university, or trade school in the fall of 2021, and
- Be a current/former employee or have significant volunteer experience with the Cary Park District.

Applications must include:

- Include one signed letter of recommendation from a non-relative who is familiar with your future goals and aptitude.
- Community service, extra-curricular activities, honors received, and/or scholastic achievements may be included in list form as a separate attachment to the application.
- An academic transcript from the applicant should also be included as part of the application submittal.
- Video submission (see details below).
- An interview may be part of the selection process.

Expectation of scholarship recipients:

- Scholarship recipients may be asked to return to the Cary Park Foundation at a future point in time to provide an overview of benefits and share personal experiences unique to them upon receiving the scholarship.
- Scholarship recipients may be asked (future) to provide a short video testimonial on how the scholarship award assisted them in their future endeavors and what they are doing now.

Video submission guidelines:

- Video should be no less than two minutes, no greater than three minutes in length.
- Video should be original content only and describe your interest and experiences with parks, recreation and/or open space preservation, preferably those with the Cary Park District. Highlight any future goals or interests for involvement in these fields.
- Clearly state in the opening sentence, your name and school you plan to attend in the fall of 2021 as well as your work and/or volunteer experience(s) with the Cary Park District.
- Videos will not be evaluated for production quality, a simple video of you speaking, recorded with a smartphone, is preferred.
- Video should be uploaded to You Tube, Vimeo, Dropbox or other file sharing service. A link to access the video should be provided by the applicant either written on application or submitted by email to the address noted below.

Questions regarding the Cary Park Foundation Scholarship program should be directed to:

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