



2018 OLNEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

Understanding the value of having an educated talent pool available to the business community, the Olney Chamber of Commerce has been awarding scholarships to high school seniors for over two decades. Two scholarship categories are awarded*:

- Olney Chamber of Commerce Scholarship, in memory of J. Oland Harvey and Graham S. Little **
- ATHENA® Scholar ***

All Olney Chamber of Commerce scholarships are presented to recipients during the Chamber's annual "Celebration of Excellence" event held in June and, where possible, at the student's school Awards Ceremony. Previous Chamber Scholarship awards have ranged from \$750.00 to \$2,500.00.

* All applications are included for consideration

** Minimum \$1,500.00 award

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TO APPLY

Complete the Olney Chamber of Commerce College Scholarship ("Chamber Scholarship") application form carefully. Answer all questions. **Legible** information is important for the selection committee to accurately assess the applicant's qualifications. Typed entries are preferred.

Selection criteria for all three scholarships include:

- Residence guidelines
- Personal qualifications and recommendations
- Community and school service
- Adherence to application guidelines
- Academic performance

Complete entire form carefully and answer **all** questions. Forward application package to:

Olney Chamber Scholarship Committee

P.O. Box 550

Olney, MD 20830

The postmark deadline for applications is **Friday, April 14, 2018**. All information will be kept in strict confidence and will be retained by the Olney Chamber of Commerce. For additional information, contact the Olney Chamber of Commerce at 301-774-7117.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Except as noted, all scholarships are open to graduating high school seniors interested in pursuing a higher education degree at an accredited college, university, vocational or business school, who is:

- a student at Sherwood HS, Blake HS, or Magruder HS, and graduated from Rosa Parks or Farquhar Middle School, or
- an MCPS Magnet HS, or Private HS student with a current home address located within the Rosa Parks or Farquhar Middle School boundaries

All scholarship applications must include:

- Completed application form
- Description of high school and extracurricular activities
- Description of educational and career objectives
- Description of community activities
- Most recent official transcript, and
- **Three** letters of recommendation from:
 - faculty (limit **one**)
 - community members, religious organization members, employers

ATHENA® Scholar - \$1,500.00

Presented as part of the annual ATHENA® Award program, the *ATHENA® Scholar* is jointly sponsored by Brooke Grove Retirement Village and the Olney Chamber of Commerce. The ATHENA® Award program recognizes local women for their “dedication of self and a generosity of spirit toward” the greater Olney-Sandy Spring area. The ATHENA® Scholar is selected from all applications received and awarded to a female student.

OLNEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
2018 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
(Strictly Confidential)

Date: _____ High School: _____

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Head of Household & Relationship to Applicant: _____

GPA: _____ WTD GPA: _____

Name of school(s) selected: _____

Annual cost of tuition at school most likely to attend: _____

Amount provided by parents/guardian for first year: _____

How will you be contributing toward expenses for the first year? _____

Sources of income (other than yours or parent/guardian): _____

Have you been awarded any other scholarships, or financial aid? Yes No

If yes, from what source(s) and amount(s)? _____

*We certify that the information contained in this application is correct:

Applicant's Signature

Parent's/Guardian's Signature

Please provide concise typed responses to the following (maximum one page per topic):

1. Please list or describe your activities during high school, offices held and number of years active, to include any of the following: School Activities, JV and Varsity Athletics, Community Activities, Religious Activities, Prizes and Honors, and Employment.
2. Briefly describe your personal and educational goals. Indicate any events that played a part in developing your goals.
3. Describe your community service activities and tell us which one was the most significant in making the greater Olney area a better place.