# Whitney High School Assist-A-Grad

- ★ One application (per scholarship)
- ★ One Interview Date
- ★ One Award Night
- ★ Many Scholarships offered



# The Catalog

The catalog will be published on the College and Career Website on February 14th. It will include a description of each scholarship offered. The committees guarantee to offer at least one scholarship at the amount listed in the catalog, but several committees will provide more than one and additional award amounts for the same scholarship may vary. Be sure to read the criteria and any special requirements (additional writing) carefully. Do not waste your time or the committee's with incomplete or unqualified applications.

# The Application Packet

- 1. The Cover Sheet (Sample Provided) Scholarship Name, Your Name
- 2. Student Information/Activities Section (Form provided) 2 pages
- 3. Student Writing Student Statement, Community Service, Financial Need (optional)
- 4. Recommendations 2 letters of recommendation or recommendation forms. One from WHS, one not. (photocopies are okay)
- 5. Unofficial Transcript (photocopies are okay)
- 6. Optional Creative Page (photocopies are okay)
- 7. Additional Materials (if requested)

# The Application Packet

ALL APPLICATION PACKETS MUST BE TURNED IN TO THE WHS CCC BY 3PM ON FEBRUARY 28. THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS MADE. IF YOU CANNOT BE HERE, TURN THEM IN EARLY OR SEND SOMEONE IN WITH YOUR APPLICATIONS PRIOR TO THE DEADLINE.

#### The Interview

SOME scholarship committees will interview SOME applicants. Interviews will be held on April 13 & 14 at Whitney High School beginning at 3pm and running as late as 9pm. The interview schedule will be posted on the door of the CCC by April 1. If scheduled for an interview, you MUST attend in order to remain eligible for the scholarship. If you have a potential conflict with a school event, you must email Mrs. Carlson by March 28. NOTE THAT THIS DATE IS BEFORE THE INTERVIEW SCHEDULE IS RELEASED. YOU NEED TO LOOK AHEAD NOW FOR POTENTIAL ISSUES. We will attempt to work around your known school conflicts, but there is no guarantee that we will be able. Not all students will be asked to interview.

### The Interview

#### **Interview Tips:**

- Relax. Our scholarship committees are full of nice people who are excited to get to know you. They LOVE this part of the process.
- Be yourself. They just want to get to know you. The more genuine you are, the more successful you will be.
- Know something about the group offering the scholarship or the person it is memorializing if you can.
- Dress to impress and be early.
- Say thank you.

# The Awards Ceremony

May 18, 2020 6pm

**WHS Theater** 

Winners will be announced at Senior Awards Night. If you have won a scholarship, you will receive a special invitation by May 8th. This invite will be an email to you and one to your parent. There will be a dress code.

# The Money

You will receive a claim form after the award ceremony. This claim form must be completed and received at Whitney High School by November 1.

- The claim process begins with winners submitting a thank you note to their donor to the WHS CCC by June 3, 2020.
- Claim forms must include a verification of enrollment in a minimum of 12 credits for the fall semester. You will need to request this document from your admissions and records office as a copy of your class schedule or acceptance letter are not acceptable. This may not be available until you begin classes. This is why your deadline is not until November 1.
- Scholarship checks will be issued to your school, but mailed to the home address that you list on your claim form. It is your responsibility to get them to your financial aid office and applied properly to your account. Checks will not be issued until school begins in the fall at Whitney High School.

## Recap

- Catalog and application available on the CCC Website beginning 2/14.
- Complete application packet and return a bound application for each scholarship you wish to apply to the CCC by 3pm on 2/28.
- Clear your schedule and prepare to interview on 4/13 & 4/14.
- Check the CCC door for interview schedule beginning April 1.
- Receive your scholarship at Senior Awards Night on May 18.
- Complete your claim form and submit to the CCC by November 1.