

SPIRIT OF LOVE SCHOLARSHIP

Spirit of Love Scholarship Overview

Rebekah Leah Rivera was a member of Mary Immaculate Catholic Church who died on June 20, 2004. She attended Mary Immaculate Catholic School and graduated from Ursuline Academy of Dallas in 2001. She also had strong ties with the Jesuit Community. Rebekah lived a life of loving service to her church and community. For this reason, her friends and family wish to keep her memory alive by awarding scholarships to young people who live their lives with that same spirit.

Qualifications for the Spirit of Love College/University Scholarship OR High School Scholarship

- 1) For the **College/University Scholarship**:
 - o Be a graduating high school senior in May 2024 and
 - o Be either
 - A registered parishioner of Mary Immaculate Catholic Church in Farmers Branch or
 - Graduating from Ursuline Academy of Dallas and a registered parishioner in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Dallas or
 - Graduating from Jesuit College Preparatory School of Dallas and a registered parishioner in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Dallas <u>and</u>
 - o Provide proof of volunteer community service throughout the last 4 years.
- 2) For the **High School Scholarship**:
 - o Be a graduating eighth grader in May 2024 and
 - o Be a registered parishioner of Mary Immaculate Catholic Church in Farmers Branch and
 - o Provide proof of volunteer community service throughout the last 4 years.

Only one scholarship application will be considered per applicant. If criteria for multiple scholarships are met, the applicant must select which scholarship to apply for and submit <u>one</u> application along with required materials as detailed in the Application Checklist.

How to Apply

To apply for a Spirit of Love Scholarship, please complete and submit the attached application, as well as the following:

- Complete volunteer community service information on attached form
- Parish registration verification letter on Church letterhead signed by the parish pastor or secretary
- At least one letter of recommendation from a teacher, counselor, priest, youth minister, club, or organization sponsor
- An official school transcript
- ❖ A recent non-copyrighted photo of yourself
- ❖ Provide a written essay (500 words or less, double-spaced) on this topic:

 Using the verse from John 15:16, "It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you."

 How has God chosen you to "bear fruit that remains" in someone else's life? How has your service to others impacted you to continue to "bear fruit that remains" as an ongoing journey in your own life?

Please complete the attached **Application Checklist**. For your application to be considered complete, the checklist <u>MUST BE INCLUDED</u> with your application packet. <u>INCOMPLETE OR LATE APPLICATION PACKETS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.</u> All application materials must be submitted via email to scholarships@rebekahleahrivera.org and <u>received by 11:59 P.M. CST on February 1, 2024.</u> For information or any questions regarding submission, please contact Marci Meagher, Scholarship Coordinator, at <u>scholarships@rebekahleahrivera.org</u>.



SPIRIT OF LOVE COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION **APPLICANT INFORMATION** Name: Date of birth: School: Church: School you plan to attend: School Address: Home address: City: State/Zip: Home Phone: Where did you hear or read about the Spirit of Love Scholarships? **SIGNATURE** I certify that the statements made by me in this application are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge. Signature of Applicant: Date: Email: Cell Phone:

Parent's Cell:

Parent's Name:



SPIRIT OF LOVE HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION **APPLICANT INFORMATION** Name: Date of birth: School: Church: School you plan to attend: School Address: Home address: City: State/Zip: Home Phone: Where did you hear or read about the Spirit of Love Scholarships? **SIGNATURE** I certify that the statements made by me in this application are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge. Signature of Applicant: Date: Email: Cell Phone: Parent's Name: Parent's Cell:



COMMUNITY SERVICE			
Agency	Duties	Approx. Dates	Hours
Signature of Applicant:		Date:	



APPLICATION CHECKLIST

To be considered for a Spirit of Love Scholarship, all documents **along with this Application** Checklist must be submitted via email to <u>scholarships@rebekahleahrivera.org</u> and received by 11:59 P.M. CST on <u>February 1, 2024.</u>

 Signatur	e of Applicant	Date
	Completed volunteer information sheet An official school transcript A recent non-copyrighted photo of yourself At least one letter of recommendation from a t minister, club, or organization sponsor Your written essay	eacher, counselor, priest, youth
	Completed, signed and dated Spirit of Love Ap Parish registration verification letter on Church	-

If your school or parish prefers to email the transcript, parish verification letter and/or recommendation letter(s) directly, they must also be submitted via email by 11:59 P.M. CST on February 1, 2024.

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