VILLAGE OF TROUT VALLEY SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

APPLICATION FORM

The Village of Trout Valley is pleased to offer one college scholarship in the amount of \$750 for an eligible Trout Valley resident and Association member. Graduating high school seniors are encouraged to apply. Successful applicants must meet the following criteria:

- 1. Live in or be the son or daughter of someone who lives in the Village of Trout Valley or is a Trout Valley Association member.
- 2. Be a graduating high school senior, who is accepted and planning to attend a two or four year college or university full-time (a minimum of 12 credit hours).

The application process involves the following steps. (A check list is attached at the bottom of this form.)

- 1. Complete and sign the application form.
- 2. Respond to the essay questions.
- 3. Submit a letter of acceptance from the college or university you plan to attend.
- 4. Submit a certified copy of your high school transcript for the previous two semesters.
- 5. Provide a short letter of reference from a teacher, a coach, an academic counselor, a dean, a mentor, an employer or an adult other than a family member who is knowledgeable of the applicant's character and leadership potential.

Successful applications will be chosen by an impartial selection committee comprised of leaders and members of the greater McHenry County community.

Award monies will be disbursed prior to the start of the school term. The winner will be notified by mail. The name and winning essay will be published in the Trout Valley Association newsletter, the *Trout Valley News* and posted on the Village website at www.troutvalleycommunity.com. The award check will be made payable to the educational institution. The Scholarship must be used within twelve (12) months of the date received.

Application to the Village of Trout Valley Scholarship Program constitutes the applicant's consent to the publication of his or her name and a portion of or the entire winning essays in the Trout Valley Association newsletter and on the Village of Trout Valley website, as well as any other publications or media, including broadcast and print media, for promotional purposes.

DEADLINE FOR CONSIDERATION: APPLICATIONS POSTMARKED BY APRIL 30, 2015

(Please mail the completed application and submission materials to: <u>Village of Trout Valley Scholarship, P.O. Box 621, Cary, IL 60013</u> And e-mail the essay questions as a Word document attachment to: <u>tvclerk@yahoo.com</u>

NAME:	DATE:
Address:	
Home Phone:	E-MAIL:
IF A MINOR, NAMES OF PARENT(S)/G	GUARDIAN(S):
HIGH SCHOOL NAME:	
GRADUATION DATE:	
HOBBIES, ETC.]:	UNTEER WORK, SCHOOL CLUBS OR ORGANIZATIONS, SPORTS,
WORK EXPERIENCE WHILE IN HIGH S	School, If Any:
CHOSEN UNIVERSITY OR COLLEGE: _	
SUMMARIZE WHY YOU CHOSE THIS S	School:
PROPOSED DEGREE PROGRAM, COUR	SE OF STUDY, AND CAREER OBJECTIVE:

I hereby swear and affirm that the above information is true and correct and that the essays attached are wholly original works written by me.

APPLICANT SIGNATURE: _____ DATE : _____

If Applicant is a minor, parent/guardian must affirm this application has been completed with his/her knowledge and approval.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: DATE :

SHORT ESSAY QUESTIONS

(The essays must be the applicant's original work, with assistance allowed for proofreading. They must be double-spaced and printed on a computer with 11 or 12- point font. It is recommended that you limit the length of the essays to two pages total, with one-inch margins on both pages -- the first two questions may be answered on one page, with the last question answered on the second page.)

1) Tell us something we should know about you.

2) Select one topic and describe: (A) What Trout Valley means to you; (B) How you would improve Trout Valley; (C) A favorite memory from Trout Valley; or, (D) A life lesson you have learned in Trout Valley.

3) Give a specific example of how your individual hard work has benefited the greater community – through charitable, civic or social efforts (500 words or less); Please describe how you would like your future work to benefit the greater community.

CHECKLIST:

The following items must be received in order for your scholarship application to be considered complete:

Mail the following application materials to: Village of Trout Valley Scholarship P.O. Box 621 Cary, IL 60013 (Must be postmarked by <u>April 30, 2015</u>)
Completed Application
Completed Essays
\Box A letter of acceptance from your college of choice
A copy of your high school transcript for the previous two semesters
☐ A letter of reference

For questions or electronic copies of this application, please feel free to contact: **Tonia Gonzalez, Village Clerk @ 847-477-8170 or email at tvclerk@yahoo.com**