

# MINNESOTA ASSOCIATION OF TOWNSHIPS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Minnesota Association of Townships (MAT) is awarding \$2,000 scholarships to up to five juniors currently attending a Minnesota public, private, or parochial high school, or a home study program, that plan to further their education at a college, university, or vocational school.

Applicants must complete an application form and submit it along with a written essay using critical thinking discussing this year's topic on Promoting Township Government. The question is: **"The Minnesota Association of Townships has the responsibility to promote public understanding of the heritage and future of Township Government and its role in the State and Federal systems. What are some ways that MAT could promote awareness of township government and inspire township residents and Boards to become involved?** 

#### Essays must be between 450 and 500 words, typed and double spaced.

- Applicants should not name themselves, their school, their town or city, or their local officials in or on the essay.
- Each essay will be judged by an independent panel based upon originality, knowledge of subject matter in relationship conference theme, and supporting statements, as well as correct spelling and punctuation.
- Applicants must be a high school junior to apply.

### Along with the completed application and written essay, students must submit:

- A current high school transcript
- A letter of recommendation from a high school teacher or counselor
- All items must be submitted in one envelope postmarked by May 1, 2022, and mailed to:

**Minnesota Association of Townships Scholarship Program, P.O. Box 267, St. Michael, MN 55376,** Incomplete applications or applications postmarked after May 1st will not be accepted.

Winners will be notified in writing in **August 2022** and will be invited to attend the MAT annual conference in September 2022 in St. Cloud, MN. Scholarship awards will be paid to the appropriate financial aid office upon receipt of verification of enrollment at a college, university, or technical school.

## APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name		Date of Birth _		Home telephone ()
Address			Email	
City	State Z	ip Code	County	
Do you live in a Township? If yes, Township Name				
High School Presently Attending				
Parent's names				
Hobbies or activities of interest				
Future goals				
Any other comments you care to make about yourself?				

#### **Research Tips:**

- Visit our website, <u>www.mntownships.org</u>
- Ask a township officer
- If you do research on the web or in your local library – be sure to look for 'Minnesota (or MN) townships' so you are finding relevant information.