



**DARIEN CHAMBER CHARITABLE FOUNDATION, INC.
COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

High school seniors, college or graduate students who work (or have a family member/ legal guardian) who work for a business who is a Darien Chamber of Commerce member are eligible to apply for either of the two merit-based scholarships. Please note which scholarship you are applying for:

___ **General Education \$2,500 Scholarship**

___ **The Penny Glassmeyer STEM \$2,500 Scholarship**

Applicants must plan to major in STEM, (Science, Technology, Engineering and/or Math education). The Penny Glassmeyer STEM College Scholarship, is in honor of long time Chamber supporter and Darien resident, Penny Glassmeyer. This award exemplifies Penny's commitment, tenacity, and vision for the future of Darien and our community.

The scholarship recipients will be awarded \$2,500. The check will be written to the school the recipient is attending. This is a one-time scholarship award, and the check will need to be written before December 15th, 2024.

Applications must be emailed in full to execdirector@darienctchamber.com no later than April 15th, 2024. All documents must be submitted in one email (except for recommendations/character references).

The chosen recipient of the scholarship will be announced in May and a photo with the Executive Director, Chairman of The Darien Chamber Charitable Foundation and Chairman of the Darien Chamber of Commerce is required.

All applications will remain confidential and will only be reviewed by the Chamber's scholarship committee.



Darien Chamber Charitable Foundation, Inc. Scholarship Application Form

Please email the completed application to:

execdirector@darienctchamber.com

PERSONAL DATA

1. Name _____
2. Present Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Cell _____
Email _____
3. Date of Birth _____
4. Current school _____
5. College Attending _____
Address _____ Zip _____

ACADEMIC STATUS

1. Expected Date of Graduation _____
2. If in a graduate program, indicate the number of graduate credit hours earned thus far: _____
3. Area of concentration: _____
4. Current GPA: _____

ELIGIBILITY

1. How are you related to the Chamber member? Check one:
 A member of my family is employed by a Chamber member.
 I am employed by a Chamber member.
 2. a. Name of relative employed by a Chamber member:
Name _____ Relationship _____
Name of Business _____
Position held _____
b. Have you ever worked for a Chamber member? _____
If "yes", indicate business, dates and job description _____
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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Father's/Guardian's name and address:

Mother/Guardian's name and address:

Names and ages of brothers and sisters: _____

Are you now studying under any scholarship grants? _____

Will you be attending as a full-time or part-time student? _____

SHORT ANSWERS

On a separate piece of paper:

1. List the activities/volunteerism/work you participate in.
2. List the memberships you hold in any societies, clubs, groups, or teams, note any positions of leadership.
3. List any hobbies or any special interests.
4. Explain how this scholarship will help you achieve your goals (in 200 words or less).
5. How have you contributed to your community? (in 200 words or less).

Please see that the following documents are all included in one email, along with your application. All must be received on time to process the application.

1. A transcript of your grades (past 4 years high school and/or college, as applicable).
2. A letter of recommendation from a member of the school staff or faculty who is familiar with your academic ability and character. *This may be sent under separate cover to execdirector@darienctchamber.com.*
3. A letter of character reference from someone who is not a relative. *This may be sent under separate cover to execdirector@darienctchamber.com.*
4. A statement from your employer or a family member's employer, who is a Chamber member, verifying your eligibility.

Date: _____ Signature of Applicant: _____

**DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND DOCUMENTS:
EMAILED BY April 15, 2024.**

All data received will be treated as confidential by the committee.

A helpful check list. Again, please attach all documents in one email and send by 4-15-24 to execdirector@darienctchamber.com

- My signed application
- My Short answers (5)
- My transcript
- One letter of recommendation (may be sent separately by April 15th)
- One character reference (may be sent separately by April 15th)
- My employer Statement