



Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Program Helpful Hints and Scoring Criteria

Helpful Hints:

- * DO make sure that you fill out every line of the application. Leave no lines blank.
- * DO remember that you must rank in the top 20% of your class and have EITHER an SAT score of 1050 or more (Critical Reading and Mathematics only) **OR** an ACT composite score of 23 or more.
- * DO make sure that your application packet (excluding transcript, application form and letter of recommendation) does not exceed eight single sided pages.
- * DO take advantage of the "Additional information" questions to tell the committee anything that might help them to award the scholarship.
- * DO be proud of your accomplishments and don't be shy.
- * DO remember that the committee will review the hours, longevity, and recognitions associated with your school, work, and community service involvement. Please see the "Sample Lilly Scholarship Application Page" for suggestions for formatting and reporting this information.

Scoring Criteria:

In scoring applications for the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship, the committee will consider the following criteria.

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| 1. Academic Ability | Weight: | 20% |
| Measurement: SAT score (minimum of 1050 required), ACT score (minimum of 23 required), class rank (minimum of top 20% required), has the student taken challenging courses, grade point average | | |
| 2. School Activities, Achievements, and Recognitions | Weight: | 20% |
| Measurement: indicators that a student is well-rounded, longevity of involvement, time commitment, indicators that an applicant can handle and prioritize multiple demands, other information provided by the applicant | | |
| 3. Community Service, Work History, and Recognitions | Weight: | 20% |
| Measurement: intensity and longevity of service, time commitment, number of and variety of organizations, consistent work history, other information provided by the applicant | | |
| 4. Leadership and Potential for Leadership | Weight: | 20% |
| Measurement: leadership as demonstrated in school, work, and community activities | | |
| 5. Overall Impression | Weight: | 20% |
| Measurement: applicant clearly states his/her goals, student has overcome hardships or barriers, financial need, other information provided by applicant, overall application | | |