

## **UP RISING STARS INC**



### **NON PROFIT ORGANIZATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2024**

**Cover letter**

#### **APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:**

**Please complete the attached application form in its entirety to apply for the Phillip Dorsey Scholarship and submit it by May 1st, 2024. Late and incomplete applications will not be accepted.**

- **Must be a resident of the New Jersey or New York Metropolitan Area**
- **Must be a High School Senior**
- **Must already have applied to a 4-year undergraduate program or be enrolling for the upcoming Fall**
- **Must have a minimum 2.7 GPA to apply**
- **Must demonstrate leadership potential through community service and civic engagement**
- **Must submit all 4 years of High School transcripts from all High Schools that you have attended. Transcripts must be official school documents**
- **Must submit official College Board SAT Scores or ACT Test Scores**
- **Must follow Up Rising Stars Inc. on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter**
- **Application must be neatly printed or typed, or the application will not be accepted**
- **Final candidates must be available for a phone interview and may be required to submit a one-minute video**
- **Only selected applicants will be notified**
- **Awarded amount 750.00 or higher which must be used for the Fall of 2024**
- **Recipient must attend Awards Gala to receive award**

**Thank you and we look forward to receiving your application.**

**Sincerely  
Up Rising Stars Inc.  
Board of Directors**

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** To be eligible for the Phillip Dorsey Scholarship you must be a High School Senior with an overall grade point average of 2.7 or higher and be applying to a four-year college.

**APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:**

Complete and return the first four parts of the Scholarship Application. Incomplete applications will not be accepted and disqualified.

**ESSAY:** Write an essay about why you deserve to receive the Phillip Dorsey Scholarship and what factors have influenced you to pursue a college degree. Demonstrate your talents by writing about any special interest or special circumstances that you would like the selection committee to consider. Essay **MUST** include your **FINANCIAL NEED**. Please include any other attributes which you feel is pertinent to the committee, such as evidence of leadership, and/or community service and your **FINANCIAL NEED**. Only one (1) essay is needed. Use 8 ½ “x 11”, double- spaced with 1” margins. The essay should be 500-750 words. Use your name, date, and school name as the essay Title.

**REFERENCES:** Be sure to include two letters of recommendation: one must be personal and one professional. Please ensure that only 2 letters of recommendation are sent on your behalf. Additional letters of recommendation will not be considered. All letters must be received by the deadline date. Late supporting materials will not be accepted. Make sure each reference includes your full name.

P.O. BOX 2403  
UP RISING STARS INC  
ELIZABETH, NJ 07207

Please return the following 4 pages completed along with your essay and your references. Mail your application and essay to the above address, no later than Monday, May 1st, 2024. Applicants with postmarks after April 2nd, 2024, will not be accepted.

Application Deadline

Monday, May 1st, 2024  
For more information contact [www.uprisingstarsinc.org](http://www.uprisingstarsinc.org)

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**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2024**

Please Print or Type

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
First Middle Last

Student Identification No/SSN. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street

City State Zip Code

Phone (Day) \_\_\_\_\_ (Eve) \_\_\_\_\_

After following our pages, please provide your social media account names below:

Facebook: \_\_\_\_\_ Instagram: \_\_\_\_\_ Twitter: \_\_\_\_\_

Major/ Division of (Check One):

- Allied Health  Arts/Science  Behav/Social Science  Business  
 Cinema & ENT. Media/Arts  Communications  Computer Information Systems  
 Education  Poli Sci/Pre-Law  Poli Sci/Pre-Law  Pre-Med \_\_\_\_\_ Other

Please Specify

SAT Scores Math \_\_\_\_\_ and Verbal \_\_\_\_\_

List by (number only) the Awards and Scholarships for which you are applying:

\_\_\_\_\_

List any other High Schools attended, and final GPA: (Transcripts from any school listed must be included in your application) \_\_\_\_\_

What college(s) do you plan to attend next year? \_\_\_\_\_

**EMPLOYMENT**

Name of Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Start date \_\_\_\_\_

End Date \_\_\_\_\_ Direct Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Start Date \_\_\_\_\_

End Date \_\_\_\_\_ Direct Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

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**Print First and Last Name**

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**Please Print:**

**In 3 sentences or less please answer the questions below; you may use a separate sheet of paper if necessary. (Please print clearly if this section is not typed)**

**Educational Goals:**

**Personal Goals:**

**Special Interest:**

**Financial Need:**

**Leadership Experience:**

**School Involvement / or Activities:**

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**Name two people who will be writing letters of reference on your behalf. (*Two names must be listed*)**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
**Personal Ref: Professional Ref:**

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### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Selected applicants will be notified by letter of their eligibility and the results of their applications two weeks prior to the Scholarship Awards Ceremony.

**I UNDERSTAND THAT SUBMISSION OF THIS APPLICATION AUTHORIZES THE UP-RISING STARS INC SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE TO OBTAIN AN OFFICIAL COPY OF MY TRANSCRIPT. I HEREBY AUTHORIZE RELEASE OF ALL THE FOREGOING SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION AND/ OR MATERIALS. I ALSO GIVE PERMISSION TO RELEASE MY NAME TO THE SPONSORS, NEWSPAPERS AND UP RISING STARS INC WEBSITE FOR PUBLICITY**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date:

### PRINT NAME CLEARLY

**Disclaimer: Financial Aid Recipients Please Note: Awards and scholarships are considered a “resource” and must be included in a student’s financial aid budget. If you are awarded a scholarship that exceeds your unmet needs, a reduction or payment of financial aid may occur.**

**All applications must be signed. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.**

### For Office Use

Received by \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Transcripts \_\_\_\_\_

Application \_\_\_\_\_ Essay \_\_\_\_\_ Reference #1 \_\_\_\_\_ Reference #2 \_\_\_\_\_

Meets Criteria? \_\_\_\_\_ If no, explain \_\_\_\_\_

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**Scholarship Recommendation 2024**



**Print Applicant Name**

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**Thank you for agreeing to write a letter of recommendation for the student identified on this request form. Your assessment of the applicant's achievements, reliability, and promise in the area of study for which they have applied will assist the selection committee. Please include, the following information, if applicable. You may photocopy this page.**

- **How long have you known the student?**
- **If you have instructed the student, in what course(s)?**
- **Please give specific examples as to why you feel the applicant deserves this scholarship.**
- **Does the student have potential for success and achievements in the future?**
- **Include any other comments(s) that will help the committee with the selection process.**

**Please complete and return to the applicant: All materials must be submitted all together.**

**Mail to:**

**UP RISING STARS INC  
ATTN: Scholarship Committee  
P.O. Box 2403  
Elizabeth, NJ 07207**

**Deadline to submit application with recommendations letters is Monday, May 1st, 2024.**