



DUE: March 12, 2021

THE LUPO-ROMITO EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

\$1,000 to be awarded by The Ridgewood Foundation

The Lupo-Romito Education Scholarship is a one-year, non-renewable award which is offered to Ridgewood High School District 234 students who are enrolling in a community college, university/college, or post secondary school for the year following graduation. *The student must be pursuing a career in the field of education to teach in a classroom setting.* The scholarship is payable to the post secondary school of the student's choice. The monetary value of the scholarship is \$1,000.

** Note: No student will be awarded more than one of The Ridgewood Foundation scholarships.*

Eligibility

1. Applicants must currently be students in good standing at Ridgewood High School.
2. Applicants must be seniors, graduating the current school year.
3. Applicants must be enrolling in a community college, university/college, or post-secondary for the first term following graduation from Ridgewood High School.
4. Only applications completed in entirety will be considered.
5. Applications must be emailed by 3:30pm on **Friday, March 12, 2021**. Email: ridgewoodfoundation1@gmail.com

Awards

1. One \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded.
2. Scholarships will be payable any time after upon receipt of definite proof of enrollment in a university/college and upon successful completion of the first term of studies at that college/university following graduation from Ridgewood High School. Proof of enrollment may include a statement from the office of the registrar with the seal of the school or a statement on school letterhead signed by a school official. Proof of successful completion of the first term of studies may include a grade report from the university/college or an official transcript from the university/college.
3. Students have up to one year from the date of graduation to redeem the scholarship.

Instructions

1. Necessary steps:
 - a. Complete the scholarship application in its entirety.
 - b. Ask Ms. Freese to send an electronic version of your transcript to ridgewoodfoundation1@gmail.com
 - c. Fill out the *Personal Information form*.
 - d. Type out a single page containing the *Additional Information*.
 - e. Type a double-spaced, 100-500 word essay on the following topic: **Why public education is important in a democratic society.**
 - f. Ask a staff member to write you a letter of recommendation.
 - i. The recommendation must include a discussion of: Why should this student be the recipient of the Lupo-Romito Scholarship? In what ways has this student exhibited qualities important to a future career as a teacher?
 - ii. The staff member must send the letter to ridgewoodfoundation1@gmail.com before the due date.
2. When all the necessary steps have been taken, send one email that contains the required materials.
 - a. The subject of the email must include your name and which scholarship you are applying for.
 - b. Email the following to: ridgewoodfoundation1@gmail.com
 - i. Personal Information Form
 - ii. Additional Information write-up
 - iii. Essay

If you have any questions on the scholarships or the process, see Ms. Cantos mcantos@ridgenet.org

Personal Information

STUDENT: _____
Last Name First Name Initial

Street City Zip Telephone Number

Date of Birth: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN _____
Last name First Name Relationship

1. I authorize the school to release all necessary information to the Scholarship Selection Committee of the Ridgewood Foundation.
2. I certify that if I am granted a scholarship, I will attend a university or college of my choice for the year following my graduation.

Signature of Student

Signature of Guardian

Date

Additional Information

Please provide the following information in typed form:

1. Projected area of study and your future professional goals.
 2. School Activities (athletics, clubs programs, publications, etc.) Include offices and or positions held. Indicate number of years of participation in each activity.
 3. Out of School Activities (work experiences, volunteer activity, community, church, scouts, etc.) Include offices and/or positions held. Indicate number of years of participation in each activity.
 4. Recognition and Awards - List national, state, local, and school awards. You may also include awards from sources other than school.
 5. Hobbies and Special Interests.
- SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: DO NOT PUT YOUR NAME ON THE ABOVE MATERIALS, OR ON THE ESSAY.
 - Anonymity will be adhered to during the selection process.