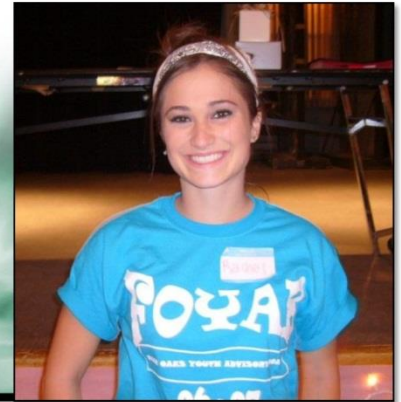


The Rachel Anne Gray Memorial Scholarship

Thank you for applying for the **Rachel Anne Gray Memorial Scholarship Program**. The Scholarship was established in honor of Rachel Anne Gray who passed away September 2nd, 2012 at the age of 21. Rachel was a resident of Fair Oaks and a member of the Fair Oaks Youth Advisory Board (FOYAB) from 2006 through 2008. Rachel graduated from Bella Vista High School (Fair Oaks) in 2008 and received her degree in International Business from California State University, Sacramento. Rachel was a valued member of the Fair Oaks community, who made a huge impact on young leaders, the community and the Fair Oaks Recreation & Park District staff. Rachel enjoyed being outside, working with the community, and living life to its fullest each day.



Three awards, in the amount of \$1,500, \$1,000, & \$500 are given annually to deserving high school **Seniors only**. The Fair Oaks Recreation & Park District (FORPD) and FOYAB are proud to host this scholarship program to acknowledge young people who are committed to community and school service and who seek positive solutions to critical problems and issues today's young people face.

Please submit your application materials by Wednesday, January 18th, 2023 by 5:00pm to:

Mary Stoakley, Recreation Coordinator mstoakley@forpd.org
Subject: Rachel Anne Gray Scholarship Submission

Important Dates:

- 01/18/2023 Application materials due by 5:00pm
- 01/23/2023 Applicants selected for interviews & speech presentations
- 01/27/2023 Applicants are contacted to schedule interviews & speech presentations
- 02/01/2023 Interviews & speech presentations
****Please note: interviews will only be held on Wednesday, February 01, 2023. Thursday, February 2, 2023 will be used if needed. Interviews will be held in-person.***
- 02/06/2023 Scholarship winners selected and notified
- 02/15/2023 Scholarship winners will be presented with awards & checks at the February Fair Oaks Recreation & Park District Board of Directors Meeting ****Scholarship winners are required to attend. Please DO NOT apply if you cannot make the Fair Oaks Recreation & Park District Board of Directors Meeting on February 15th. If meeting is held virtually due to COVID-19, awards and checks will be mailed to recipients.***

To be eligible, each applicant must meet the following requirements:

1. Must be one or more of the following:
 - a. Resident of Fair Oaks (95628 zip code)
 - b. Current Fair Oaks Youth Advisory Board (FOYAB) member
 - c. Attend a High School in Fair Oaks (Bella Vista or Del Campo)
2. Must be a current **Senior** in High School
3. Must have a 3.0 GPA cumulative or higher

Application Procedure:

1. Submit one (1) electronic version of your Application, Bio & Speech (one PDF)
 - a. Electronic versions must be in PDF format and sent via email by the deadline to mstoakley@forpd.org
 - b. Speech must be a minimum of 500 words
2. Submit a copy of your most recent transcripts for GPA verification
3. Submit a letter of recommendation
 - a. Letter cannot be written by a family member or members of the selection committee
4. ***Please note: all application materials must be submitted together in one complete PDF.***

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2023 Application & Speech Presentation Details

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____ GPA: _____

School: _____

Applicant Bio

Please complete sections one and two below and include with your speech as one complete document (written report form). Each of the selected interview applicants will be asked to attend an oral interview where you will be asked to perform your speech/presentation (written report) to the Scholarship Selection Committee. The Selection Committee will also ask a series of questions prior to the completion of your presentation. If selected, you will be notified of your interview date and time.

Section 1: Getting to know the Candidate – Provide a resume and short responses to questions 2-10

1. Please provide a resume outlining your work history, volunteerism, community service, & school/club involvement.
2. How do you impact your school for the better?
3. How can schools leverage social media to teach their students?
4. What are some qualities of an influential leader?
5. How would you solve the issue of texting and driving?
6. What makes you different?
7. If I was a genie in a bottle and could grant you any wish what would it be?
8. What is your biggest fear?
9. What is one thing you would change about yourself?
10. What accomplishment are you most proud of?

Section 2: Speech Presentation Details

Part 1: *“Imagine Your Life Is Perfect In Every Respect; What Would It Look Like?” – Brian Tracy*

- What life are you imagining for yourself? (describe in 250 words or more)

Part 2: *“Security Is Mostly A Superstition. Life Is Either A Daring Adventure Or Nothing.” – Helen Keller*

- What is your next daring adventure? (describe in 250 words or more)

***All information provided on this form is subject to verification.
False or inaccurate applications will be disqualified.***

If you have any questions, please contact:

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