BOONE COUNTY

DRUG PREVENTION COALITION

2023 Scholarship Opportunity

The Boone County Drug Prevention Coalition was founded with the mission to use a community approach to reduce and prevent the use of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs. In the spirit of that mission, BCDPC would like to extend the opportunity to high school seniors in Boone County who are committed to THRIVING in their communities or learning from their past experiences with drugs, alcohol or vaping to apply for this $500 scholarship.

The BCDPC wants everyone to realize drugs do not discriminate based on age, race, gender, or social class, and can be fatal even during the first use. The BCDPC works to offer support to parents, family members, and friends who have lost someone suddenly or are struggling with a substance use issue, educate all ages on the opioid crisis, and share experiences.

To qualify for this scholarship, the student must:

- Be a high school senior from Belvidere High School, Belvidere North High School or North Boone High School set to graduate in June 2023
- Have plans to attend college, technical or trade school or the U.S. military the semester following his or her high school graduation
- Produce one letter of recommendation from teacher, employer, etc. (excluding relatives)
- Complete the application and submit it with an essay (minimum of 500-words but no more than two pages, single spaced, Calibri font). Essay must answer one of the prompts listed below:

    - How would you help a friend who was thinking of using drugs, alcohol or vapes OR who is struggling with an addiction to a substance?
    - What could you do within your community to discourage peers from trying drugs, alcohol or vapes?
    - How would you deal with social pressure to use drugs, alcohol or vapes? What are some positive activities to engage in to avoid using substances?
    - How have drugs, alcohol or vaping impacted your life? What have you learned from the experience?
    - If you could develop your own program to encourage your peers to avoid drugs, alcohol or vaping, what would you do?

Return your scholarship application and essay by **Friday, May 12th** using one of these options.

- Via mail or in person to: Boone County Drug Prevention Coalition, Attention: Alyssa Rothmaler, 1204 Logan Ave, Belvidere, IL 61008
- Via Email: BCDPC@BooneHealth.org with ***BCDPC Scholarship Application*** in the subject line

Name: _____

Home address: _____

birth date: _____/_____/_____ phone number: (_____) _____

email address: _____school you attend _____

If you have decided, where are you planning on continuing your education? If you have not decided, what are your top two choices?

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List any schools that have accepted your application:

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What are you planning on studying?

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List hobbies, outside interests, extracurricular activities, and volunteer activities:

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List any special accomplishments (in school &/or out of school) you'd like to tell us about that you've accomplished over the last four years (optional):

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