



2017

## Whitman Award Scholarship Application

Formed in 1951 as a memorial to Hendricks Whitman of Stonington, the Whitman Award with accompanying scholarship is awarded annually to the young members, grades 9-12, of the Stonington Community Center who best exemplify the qualities of leadership and citizenship we encourage.

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

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Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a resident of Stonington, Connecticut? \_\_\_\_\_

Name, address and phone number of parents or guardians if different than above:

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Name of school you presently attend: \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle present grade: 9<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup>

## APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

**All eligible applicants must submit the all required documents for their application to be considered complete. Incomplete and late submissions will not be considered.**

1. Applicants must be a Stonington resident, a member of the Stonington Community Center and document a minimum of 20 volunteer hours.
2. Write an essay (500 words) on the following topic:  
**Explain why you feel volunteering is vital to a community and why being a good citizen is important to you. Give examples of specific volunteer projects in which you have been involved.**
3. Submit an outline of your past and present volunteer activities in school, at the Stonington Community Center, in the town and/or your academic community. Please list name of nonprofit/community program served, services provided, dates of service and total hours served. Please note: Selection is based on your community service both in and out of the COMO. The list of activities should not include participation in sports teams unless you acted as a volunteer, such as a coach, team manager, etc.
4. Submit one recent letter of recommendation from someone who is familiar with your community service achievements in the Town of Stonington. The letter should provide some information on your qualities of citizenship and detail how your community service has helped a person, group, organization and/or the town. This person may not be a family member.
5. Submit a copy of your most recent school transcript.
6. Successful recipient(s) must be available to attend the COMO Annual Meeting on June 20th at 6pm.
7. All recipients are required to volunteer with the COMO a minimum of 3 hours during summer 2017 in support of the 65<sup>th</sup> Annual Village Fair, which is a community tradition. Shifts include Friday, August 4<sup>th</sup> and day of event, Saturday August 5<sup>th</sup>.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Postmark or drop off applications before 5pm on April 14th to:**

Stonington Community Center, Inc.

28 Cutler Street

Stonington, CT 06378

Attn: Whitman Award Committee