

ROCKBURN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTA
6145 Montgomery Road
Elkridge, MD 21075

Dear Scholarship Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the **Rockburn Principal's Scholarship – Earl Slacum Award**. As you may know, Earl Slacum was the first principal of Rockburn Elementary School (RES) and is an outstanding educator and leader in Howard County. The Rockburn PTA is proud to offer a one time \$500 scholarship to a former RES student who is pursuing a post high school education. Please read this letter and the scholarship application carefully. Please include all of the requested information. Incomplete application packets will not be considered.

To be considered for this scholarship, applicants must:

1. Be a senior attending a public high school in Howard County
2. Have attended Rockburn Elementary School (RES) for at least 1 reporting period
3. Have a 2.5 or higher cumulative GPA as well as demonstrate consistent participation in extra curricular or work related activities
4. Complete the application form, making sure that it is signed by the applicant and a parent/guardian. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
5. Obtain the Scholarship Recommendation Forms from two references

The **Rockburn Principal's Scholarship – Earl Slacum Award** may be used at any college, university, trade, technical, or junior college. A check for \$500 will be made payable to the college, university, trade, technical, or junior college that the scholarship winner will attend. The winner will be notified by phone by May 15, 2015 and will be presented with the scholarship at an upcoming Rockburn PTA meeting.

The RES PTA Scholarship Committee must receive the completed Application Form, the Essay, Transcripts, and two Scholarship Recommendation Forms by April 17, 2015.

Please mail completed application package to:

PTA Scholarship Committee
Rockburn Elementary School
6145 Montgomery Rd.
Elkridge, MD 21075

We look forward to receiving your completed application. If you have any questions, please contact Denise Eakes at deakes@hcpss.org.

Sincerely,

The Rockburn PTA Earl Slacum Scholarship Committee

**ROCKBURN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
EARL SLACUM SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Applicant Information:

Name _____ Age _____ Date of Birth _____

Address _____

Phone: Home _____ Cell _____

Name of High School _____ Graduation Date _____

Dates you Attended Rockburn Elementary _____

Awards or honors you have received during high school _____

Plans for Continued Education:

To which colleges, universities, or programs have you applied? _____

What course of study do you plan to pursue? _____

How do you plan to finance your education? Are there financial obstacles that may impact your ability to complete your education? _____

Essay:

On a separate sheet of paper please write an essay between **400-600 words**. Include the following:

1. What goals do you plan to pursue upon the completion of your education?
2. How has your education, or a specific educator influenced you, and how do you feel that you could influence others by continuing your education?
3. In which school and community service activities have you participated and what have you gained from those experiences?
4. Have you had to overcome any personal obstacles during your lifetime?
5. Why should you be this year's recipient of the Earl Slacum scholarship?

Transcripts:

Please enclose a copy of your high school transcript for the 9th, 10th, and 11th grades, and the 1st quarter of the 12th grade.

References:

Select two references. One should be a teacher or an Employer, the other should be someone who can speak to your character and/or community involvement. Provide each of them with one of the attached recommendation forms to be returned in a sealed envelope with this application.

Signatures:

Applicant: _____ **Date** _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ **Date** _____

**Rockburn Elementary School PTA
Earl Slacum Scholarship Recommendation Form**

Name of Applicant: _____

Name of Person Providing Recommendation: _____

Address/Place of Business: _____

_____ Phone: _____

How long have you known the student? _____

In what capacity? _____

From your observations and knowledge, please rate the student by circling the appropriate rating:

	Outstanding	Excellent	Fair	Poor	Not Recommended
CHARACTER	5	4	3	2	1
DEPENDABILITY	5	4	3	2	1
SCHOLARSHIP	5	4	3	2	1
CITIZENSHIP	5	4	3	2	1
COLLEGE SUCCESS (potential)	5	4	3	2	1

The Scholarship Committee would appreciate a statement from you concerning the applicant named above. Please indicate in the space below any comments that you feel would be helpful to the committee. Thank you.

Signature _____ Date _____

Please place in a sealed envelope and return to student

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