Rotary Club of Ponoka Box 4732 Ponoka, AB T4J 1S5



To Whom It May Concern,

It is our pleasure to announce the opening of the 2020 Rotary Club of Ponoka Grade 12 Scholarship Program. This scholarship program will award a \$1000 scholarship to three selected graduating Grade 12 students attending any one of our local high schools. It is our intention to make the availability of this scholarship known to all graduating students in Ponoka through the distribution of this letter.

The purpose of the Rotary Club of Ponoka Grade 12 Scholarship Program is to identify potential future leaders; recognizing those who have demonstrated a commitment to serving others. We desire to encourage and promote these individuals in the attainment of further education. It is our goal to support these students of promise by acknowledging the positive contributions that they have made at home, in their school, and in their community - as well as at the international level through their extracurricular activities, or through the service and volunteer programs to which they belong. The motto of Rotary International "Service Above Self" is also the driving force of the Rotary Club of Ponoka. Students who model integrity and honesty, who demonstrate a positive work ethic and outlook, and who have made a difference in the lives of others, are the candidates we seek. It is our intention to honor three students who model the moral codes and ethics we uphold, who are exemplars of the Rotary Four-Way Test, the cornerstone of all Rotarians actions.

Top candidates must have above average grades and be accepted into either a degree or non-degree post-secondary institution for the coming school year.

Further requirements include:

- 1) A letter of no more than two pages in length addressed to Rotary Club of Ponoka describing:
 - a. A brief biographical background
 - b. Community, extracurricular or volunteer involvement and how the community or others have been positively impacted by your actions
 - c. How your further education will or could potentially address one of the Rotary's six areas of focus
- 2) Two letters of reference from community members who are not relatives or employers
- 3) A copy of your high school transcript
- 4) A copy of a Certificate of Admission from the institution you will be attending

The deadline for receipt of applications is Friday, April 3, 2020. Complete application packages may be turned in to your school office up to and including this date. Scholarship recipients will be announced and receive their certificate at graduation commencement. Please forward any questions regarding the 2020 Rotary Club of Ponoka Grade 12 Scholarship Program to Layna Palechek at palechek@xplornet.com.

Sincerely,

Brett Mauthe President Rotary Club of Ponoka