

Knights of Columbus Youth Leadership Scholarship



Youth Icon Awards 2026 - Application Form

Dear Applicant,

Welcome to the 2026 Youth Leadership Scholarship. This unique program doesn't focus on your grades—it celebrates your character as a child of God and a growing leader in your community.

We aim to recognize Junior High and High School students who set a high standard of virtue and citizenship by:

- Serving as positive role models at school and among peers.
- Actively serving their parish and the broader community.

The Award: Selected winners will receive a \$250 cash prize and a commemorative certificate.

Deadline: May 30, 2026, at 11:59 PM.

Questions? Contact Tony Joseph or Jason Kalapurakal with the Knights of Columbus Council #7599 at family@kofc7599.org.

Note: An asterisk () indicates a required question/field.*

Section 1: Applicant Details

Name of the applicant: _____ *

Baptismal name: _____ *

Applicant's Email Address: _____ *

Applicant's Phone Number: _____ *

What grade are you in at school? *

- Grade 7
- Grade 8
- Grade 9
- Grade 10
- Grade 11
- Grade 12

Name of Parish/church you attend *

- St. Thomas More
- Other

If other, please state the name of the parish you belong to: _____

Section 2: Community Engagement & Faith

The community engagement and contribution is covered in this section.

Please provide a short summary of your volunteering or work experience that demonstrates your social commitments, charitable work, or anything else that you want the panel to know. (Max 250 words) *...**You can use additional sheets for this section and attach them to this form**

How do you share your experiences of being a Christian with your friends? (Max 250 words) *

What does being Catholic/ Christian mean to you? Please share your thoughts. (Max 250 words) *

Optional: Please include any recommendation letters, certificates, or pictures to support your application. *Example: a letter from a parish youth coordinator, teacher, or priest, explaining your suitability for the award.* * Please attach physical copies along with your completed application form.

Section 3: Declarations and Consent

This is a mandatory section and needs approval by parents/guardians for the applicants, giving permission to participate in this program.

Applicant's Declaration

I wish to enter the KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS YOUTH LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST. I realize that my entry becomes property of the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council Office and that the decision of the organizing team is final and binding. *

- Yes
- No

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian's Declaration & Consent

Parental Consent: The undersigned hereby request and approve the Entrant's registration and participation in the KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS YOUTH LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST. In consideration of such registration and participation, the undersigned hereby agree to hold the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council and any of its subordinate units and their officers, members, agents and employees, blameless and without liability, and hereby agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless all of the above mentioned from any and all claims and expenses resulting from or relating to Entrant's said participation. Parent or guardian must sign this form before the entrant competes. *

- Yes
- No

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____ *

Parent/Guardian's Email Address: _____ *

Parent/Guardian's Telephone Number: _____ *

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Section 4: Submission

Thank you for filling in the application form. Your action of taking the time and completing this form alone makes you a worthy candidate.

Your application will be reviewed and you will be contacted if selected for the next round.

Contacts: Jason Kalapurakal: 587-985-0450/ Tony Joseph: 780-977-4921/Derek Yee: 780-909-6286