



Foundation for  
Gauga Parks

## 2023 Foundation for Geauga Parks Conservation Scholarship Program Application

*The Foundation for Geauga Parks is an independent, non-profit organization created to raise money to fund community engagement with nature through education, preservation, conservation and appreciation of the unique natural character of Geauga County.*

### Purpose

The Foundation for Geauga Parks' Conservation Scholarship Program was established by the Foundation for Geauga Parks (FGP) Trustees in 2022. These scholarships are made possible by the generous donations to the FGP Nature Education fund.

It is the intent of FGP to designate up to \$5,000 each year to award scholarships. This scholarship program was created to award students who demonstrate interest in educational pursuits that align with the FGP mission.

### Criteria

- Student must be a resident of Geauga County and will graduate in the Spring of 2023.
- Student must have at least a cumulative GPA of 2.8
- Student must plan to attend an accredited two or four-year college or university, or a career or technical education institution the following fall for studies in the areas that promote education, preservation, conservation and appreciation of natural resources. Examples may be studies in natural sciences, biology, park management and other similar disciplines. The college or university must be a public or private, not-for-profit institution from which an associate's or bachelor's degree can be received.
- Preference will be shown to students who have participated in extra-curricular activities such as Envirothon, academic or community projects, volunteer services, clubs, fundraisers, internships or employment that promotes values aligned with the FGP mission.

### General Information

Completed applications must be received no later than **January 31, 2023** by **3pm** to be eligible for this award. Applicants must submit all the required paperwork in one package. Incomplete applications will not be given consideration, and any applications received after the date will be immediately disqualified. Finalists will be required to take part in an interview. Recipient(s) shall provide proof of college, university, career or technical education acceptance prior to receipt of award. Scholarship money shall be paid directly to each student's college, university, career or technical education institution for tuition, fees and other educational related expenses.

## Required Application Materials

Applicants must submit ALL REQUIRED PAPERWORK IN ONE PACKAGE. Reference letters and transcripts may be submitted in individually sealed envelopes within the application package. To be considered for this scholarship, the student shall submit the following information to the address below by **January 31, 2023 by 3pm.**

**Completed Application Form**

**Statement of Activities, Honors, Leadership and Work Experience** – On a separate sheet of paper, LIST (not an essay) school and community activities – including years in which you participated; honors or awards you have received; identify leadership positions you have held; and any work experience you have acquired. Applicants must demonstrate outstanding citizenship through their service and participation in community activities.

**Copy of Transcripts** – Transcripts (either official or unofficial) from the entire high school enrollment shall be included. Scholarship applicants must have at least a 2.8 cumulative GPA.

**College Admission Composite Test Scores** – Please include your ACT and/or SAT scores. A copy of all score reports shall be included when available. (Does not apply to career or technical education applicants)

**Two (2) Letters of Recommendation** – Applicants shall include two separate letters of recommendation from teachers or community leaders.

**Applicant's Essay** – An essay on just **one** of the below topics written by applicant (describe in 500 words or less, 1.5 spaced, typewritten)

1) What course of study or career path have you chosen and why? What has influenced your choice?

2) What strengths do you have that will set you up for success?

**Mail to:**

FOUNDATION FOR GEAUGA PARKS  
Attn: SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE  
12375 Kinsman Road, Suite H-10  
Newbury, OH 44065

Direct questions to Foundation for Geauga Parks at 440-564-1048.

To learn more about Foundation for Geauga Parks, please visit our website at <https://www.foundationforgeaugaparks.org/>

# FOUNDATION FOR GEAUGA PARKS 2022/23 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

## APPLICATION FORM

### Personal Information

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

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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

### High School Information

High School Attended: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

### Prospective College Information:

\_\_\_\_\_  
College/University/Career or Technical School attending in fall 2023

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name Phone Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address City State Zip Code

### To be completed by: Applicant and Parent/Guardian

We understand that the receipt of any award money is contingent upon the applicant's full-time attendance in 2023-2024 at a university, college or career or technical education institution. We certify that to the best of our knowledge and belief, all information contained in this application is true and accurate. We agree to the release of appropriate information to the media.

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Signature: Applicant Date

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Signature: Parent/Guardian Date