

2026 Royal Oak Schools Scholarships Application

February 2, 2026

Dear Applicant:

Attached is the 2026 Royal Oak Schools Scholarships application form. Each of our Royal Oak School PTAs and the Royal Oak Schools Foundation contributes to the funding of the scholarships in honor of Donald M. Currie and Daniel Champagne, respectively. Both gentlemen were valued members and supporters of the Royal Oak Schools community. Seniors who currently attend Royal Oak public schools and will attend an accredited college, university, or trade school in the fall of the scholarship year are eligible to apply and qualify for each scholarship.

The 2026 Royal Oak Scholarship Opportunities include:

- Eight (8) one-time \$500 **Donald M. Currie Scholarships** awarded by the Royal Oak PTA Council to seniors at Royal Oak High School or Churchill Community High School (Daytime Alternative High School students only);
- Two (2) one-time \$500 **Daniel Champagne Scholarships** awarded by The Royal Oak Schools Foundation; and
- Four (4) one-time \$500 **Royal Oak Schools Foundation Scholarships**.

The application for the **Donald M. Currie Scholarship** will be judged on academics, character, extracurricular activities within the school and the community, volunteer or paid work experience, and financial need.

The application for the **Daniel Champagne Scholarship** and the **Royal Oak Schools Foundation Scholarship** will be judged on community service and charity work, letter of recommendation, and academic excellence.

In addition to your completed application, please include:

1. At least one (1) letter of recommendation from a significant adult in your life (other than a family member), discussing your character and fitness as a scholarship recipient.
2. A **typed** essay of **250 words or less**. Handwritten essays and essays exceeding 250 words will not be accepted.

Submit your application by either dropping it off at the Student Services Center or emailing it to kerry.derminer@royaloakschools.org. Please use your personal email address - do not use your rosd.org email address. The deadline for the application is **Tuesday, April 14, 2026.**

Remember that accuracy and honesty are critical in the application process. **PLEASE DO NOT WRITE** your name anywhere in the application materials except where indicated on the application and make sure your school name is entered in every field that requires it. The Review Committee who will evaluate your scholarship application includes a PTA parent representative from each Royal Oak school. Your identifying information will not be visible to the committee who reviews your application.

All scholarship recipients will be announced and recognized at the Churchill High School Graduation or the Senior Convocation Program. Recipients will be notified of the award prior to receiving the award.

We appreciate your application for this scholarship. Good luck and best wishes to you!

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THIS IS A 5-PAGE DOCUMENT AND ALL 5 MUST BE COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED FOR YOUR APPLICATION TO BE CONSIDERED.

Name of Applicant: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **Zip Code:** _____

Telephone: _____

Personal Email: _____

Please list schools attended:

High School: _____

Middle School: _____

Elementary School: _____

Your signature acknowledges that the information provided in this application is true and accurate. Electronic signature is acceptable.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

If a minor, signature of parent/guardian _____ Date _____

Essay:

In 250 **typed** words or less, describe to the committee a personal goal you set for yourself for your high school years and the steps you took or progress you made towards achieving that goal. All essays handwritten or longer than **250** words will be disqualified.

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Please type or print legibly. Use additional pages if more space is required for your answers.

Which high school do you attend? (**mandatory**) _____

Personal Information:

1. Volunteer and/or community services: state the service and length of time served.

| Position or description | Dates or total hours served | Was this a single event or on-going? |
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2. Extra-curricular activities: include school clubs, sports teams, bands, choirs, etc.

| Activity | Office held or leadership role | Years of involvement |
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3. Paid work experience (please begin with your current/most recent employment).

| Employer | Type of work/ Position held | Dates/Length of employment | Avg hours per week |
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4. List major areas of interest in high school - does not have to be school related.

Academic Information:

5. Please list your Cumulative Grade Point Average. Unweighted: _____ Weighted: _____

6. List all Academic Highlights (Honors, AP and specialty classes) taken. Also, list any specialty classes related to your field of study.

7. List all Honors, Recognitions, and Awards. Include the type (Academic, Volunteer, Athletic, Artistic, Character, Community, etc.) and the year received.

| Title | Type | Year Rec'd |
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Post-Secondary Plans:

8. To which accredited post-secondary program (college, university or trade school) would this scholarship support be applied?

Name of school _____

Address _____

School office and number to contact: _____

Are you currently accepted for admission? _____

If not, when do you expect to be notified of acceptance? _____

What is your second choice? _____

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9. Describe your intended course of study, and personal and academic goals.

Financial Information:

10. Estimate minimum funds you will need to attend school for the 2026-2027 academic year.

Examples of costs: tuition, room & board, books, lab fees, transportation, insurance, lessons, etc.:

\$ _____

11. Sources of financial help:

A. College savings as of this date: \$ _____

B. List name and amount of each grant or scholarship award received or expected (including MET) and indicate if the amount will be given annually or as a one-time sum:

| Name of award | Dollar amount | One-time or annual? |
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c. Expected monetary assistance from parent/guardian/relative:

12. Remaining funds needed for the 2026 - 2027 academic year NOT covered by any of the above:

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13. Do you plan on working while taking classes? _____

14. Are you anticipating needing student loans? _____

Submitting

Please remember to submit these **3 items** by **Tuesday, April 14, 2026**:

1. Typed essay
2. Letter of recommendation
3. Completed 5-page application

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