

OSWEGO FIRE PROTECTION



DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIP



The OFPD scholarships are given in honor of a member of our Fire Protection District that has shown exemplary service to the people of the communities we serve. This year, Retired Chief ***Rick Neitzer*** is being honored. He dedicated his life to serving the people of our District in a variety of capacities. He started his career in 1979 and served as a firefighter for over 35 years. In 1987, Chief Neitzer came to the OFPD as one of the original 6 full-time firefighter/paramedics. He moved through the ranks and became the Fire Chief in 2011. Chief Neitzer exemplified what it means to be a firefighter and serve the public. He truly dedicated his life to his community and the Fire District. The OFPD would like to honor ***Retired Chief Rick Neitzer*** by awarding two \$500.00 scholarships in his name to two 2016 graduates that will be pursuing a higher education in the fall of 2016.

Scholarship Guidelines

1. Preference will be given to applicants pursuing a degree in Fire Science or a related field
2. Those applicants pursuing a career in Public Safety will also be given preference, but weighted less than those in the Fire Science field
3. Applicants must reside within the Oswego Fire Protection District boundaries and be graduating in the spring of 2016
4. Applicants must be attending an institution of higher learning in the fall semester of 2016
5. Students may receive the scholarship only once
6. Applications will be screened and scholarships awarded by the OFPD scholarship committee (The *OFPD* reserves the right to choose the students that best meet the criteria for the award)
7. Contingent upon availability of qualified applicants, the scholarship may not be awarded annually
8. Only applicants that include the one page essay and transcript shall be considered.
9. Applications are due no later than April 30th, 2016 and must be returned to Oswego Fire Station #1 located at 3511 Woolley Rd. Oswego, IL, 60543. (*Care of Capt. John Cornish*)
10. If there are any questions, please contact Capt. John Cornish at 630-554-2110

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Name _____

Address _____

Phone Cell _____ Home _____

High School Graduating From _____

1. What are your post secondary plans?

2. Name of School you will be attending in the Fall?

3. Are there any special circumstances that would constitute a need for financial assistance? Explain

4. Please list all volunteer activities in which you have been involved (School, Church, Community etc.):

A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

D. _____

E. _____

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Name _____

5. Please attach an essay with this application explaining who you are and what your educational goals are. Please include what type of career field you plan on entering upon graduation. (1 to 2 pages)

6. Please attach a copy of your official high school transcript with your essay.

7. What school extra-curricular activities were you a part of: Clubs? Sports? Academics?

I _____, attest that this information is true and correct.
(print name)

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____