

2024 AURORA - WARD 9 SCHOLARSHIPS

Aurora - Ward 9 Alderman, Edward J. Bugg, with the help of the AURORA- WARD 9 Area Business Community has established several College Scholarships of at least \$1000 each; Two Academic Scholarships, Two Community Service Scholarships, and the "Comeback Student" Scholarship. The final number and amount of the Scholarships will be determined by the sponsorships. To be eligible for the Ward 9 Scholarship, applicants must be enrolled in their Senior year of high school or be enrolled in their first three years of college as a full-time undergraduate student at an accredited two- or four-year college. Applicants also must be legal residents or U.S. citizens and reside in Ward 9, Aurora, Illinois. Those residents who resided within the former Ward 9 boundary as of August 2022 are also eligible. Proof of a 3.0 out of 4.0 or better grade point average is a requirement for both high school and college for all scholarships. Past Ward 9 Scholarship winners are not eligible.

Applicants will be evaluated accordingly:

The Academic Scholarship will stress academic performance, and community service will be secondary. The Community Service Scholarship will stress community involvement and extracurriculars, and academic achievement will be the lesser criteria. The "Comeback Student" Scholarship will consider academics and community service equally but will also consider special circumstances that the student has had to overcome to achieve academic success. Applicants are welcome to apply for all Scholarships with a single application but will only be eligible to win a single award.

To apply:

Send name, address, telephone number, email address, a copy of both high school and college transcripts, proof of enrollment or acceptance letter for a two- or four-year college or university for the 2024-2025 academic year, a letter from a supporting organization acknowledging involvement in community service activities in Aurora, a personal reference letter, and a personal statement of why you feel you are deserving of the AURORA-WARD 9 Scholarship.

Applications will be accepted preferably BY MAIL as stated below and postmarked by April 8th, 2024 OR in person through April 11th, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. at 60 E. Downer Pl., Aurora. The scholarship winners will be announced at the Ward 9 Scholarship Ceremony Breakfast in June of 2024 at a date to be determined. It is highly recommended that all applicants attend the Aurora-Ward 9 Clean Up the Streets Day set for April 27th. In addition, the applicants are encouraged to assist in at least two Ward 9 Community Service events in the future.

Please Mail Applications To: City of Aurora - Aldermen's Office WARD 9 Scholarship
44 E. Downer Place, Aurora, IL 60507

For questions, email: bugge@aurora.il.us and copy AldermanBugg@gmail.com

Name _____

Student ID _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Checklist:

Official transcripts from high school and/or accredited two- or four-year college.

*It is recommended but not mandatory that college students also include their high school transcript.

Proof of past and/or present community service in Aurora

Proof of residence in Ward 9, Aurora, Illinois

Proof of enrollment in a college or university for the 2024-2025 academic year

Proof of US citizenship or legal residency (birth certificate, etc.)

Letter of Recommendation

Personal Statement- "Why I am deserving of the Aurora - Ward 9 Scholarship"