

2008-09 ANNOUNCEMENT FORM
High School STRIVE Program Participation

We are pleased to announce that a STRIVE program is underway in our community!

Here is the information:

Rotary Club of: _____

High School: _____

HS Counselor: _____

HS Principal: _____

Number of Senior Students who have signed the written commitment letter of participation: _____

Rotarian(s) facilitating the STRIVE program with this High School:

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Home Phone _____

Work Phone _____

Fax _____

E-mail _____

The information included in this form is used by the District 6600 STRIVE Team for purposes of tracking and keeping you informed about upcoming STRIVE events.

Fax to (deadline April 1, 2009):

John D. Cole, PDG

Fax 440-775-1120

**2008-09 COMMITMENT FORM
STRIVE PROGRAM**

To be completed by Student:

Name (print) _____

Address _____

Phone _____

I, _____, have received and reviewed the STRIVE program guidelines and Scholarship eligibility requirements. I am committed to doing my very best during my senior year.

I also understand that I must maintain a minimum of a "C" average to be eligible for any scholarships offered by the local Rotary Club and for the \$4,000 scholarship from Rotary District 6600.

Signed

Date

When completed - return to Guidance.

2008-09 ROTARY DISTRICT 6600 STRIVE SCHOLARSHIP

Description and Qualifications

The STRIVE program was incorporated by Rotary International, District 6600 as a major project for Rotary Clubs to implement district-wide. STRIVE is a motivational program targeted to high school seniors in or very near to the lower one-third of the class. Students are identified by the high school, sign a commitment form, and are encouraged to improve their attendance, attitude, GPA, and participation. At the end of the program, a District 6600 STRIVE scholarship of \$2,000, renewable for a 2nd year, is awarded. There is also a \$1,000 runner-up scholarship (not renewable) awarded.

To qualify for the District 6600 STRIVE Scholarship, an applicant must:

1. Complete the STRIVE Program hosted by the Rotary Clubs represented in District 6600.
2. Be age 17 or older.
3. Graduate in June with a high school degree and be able to pursue training within a year of graduation.
4. Attend an accredited post-secondary educational institution or technical school. Students must be enrolled in school full-time/part-time.

Qualification eligibility and award for the District 6600 STRIVE Scholarship will be determined by the District 6600 STRIVE Scholarship Committee.

The initial process is:

1. Rotary Clubs within District 6600 contacted the high school guidance counselor(s) and developed the STRIVE program for the year.
2. The high school identified the students who qualified for the STRIVE program.
3. Letters of intent were signed by the students to adhere to the STRIVE program goals of improving attendance, participation, GPA, and attitude.

Deadlines to remember for the 2008-09 STRIVE Program:

1. STRIVE Committees in each participating school should choose the top five candidates in their program. Complete this process by mid-April.
2. Your Local Rotary Scholarship Committee should select top candidate. **Deadline: April 30, 2009 - mail or fax material used to make this decision to:
Rotary District 6600 STRIVE Scholarship, c/o John D. Cole, 13 South Main Street, Oberlin, Ohio 44074 FAX 440-775-1120**
3. The STRIVE finalist will then be accompanied by a Club Representative and parent to the District 6600 STRIVE Competition:
Western Region – May 9, 2009 – Findlay Inn, Findlay, Ohio
Eastern Region – May 9, 2009 – Oberlin Inn, Oberlin, Ohio
A panel of Rotarians will select the winner and runner-up at that time. The interview process is anticipated to conclude by 2pm. A more formal schedule will be forwarded in early May 2009. NOTE: the District 6600 STRIVE chair will designate which region each STRIVE program is designated.
4. The winner with the Club representative and parent, will be presented at future District Conference event(s). The winner will be expected to make a brief acceptance speech at that time. Details to follow.

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Student Instructions: Please complete this form prior to your interview with the Rotary Club. Take this form with you to that interview. Use separate page(s) and attach if more space is needed. Be truthful and accurate in your responses. Please type or print. Thank you and good luck!

Name _____
Last First MI

Birthday _____ SS# _____ High School _____

Home Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Home Telephone #: _____

List Honors and Awards you have received:

List Extra-curricular activities:

Employment Experience:

What was your gross grade point average (GPA) at the end of last year: _____

What is it now _____ (You will need to check with your counselor on this)

How many days of school did you miss last year _____. This Year _____.

What is STRIVE? _____

In specific terms how would you use the scholarship if you won? _____

What courses are you going to take if you win this scholarship? _____

Have you met with admissions personnel at the school you plan to attend? _____

Important: Attach a listing of the classes you are taking this year in high school.

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