# Knights of Columbus Council #7467 and <sup>W</sup> Italian Catholic Federation Branch #432 Immaculate Heart of Mary 2025 Scholarships

To Whom It May Concern

Since 2007, Council # 7467 of the Knights of Columbus and Branch #432 Italian Catholic Federation of Immaculate Heart of Mary Branch has sponsored scholarships for graduating high school seniors. The minimum amount of the award is two thousand dollars. Eligible candidates for consideration must complete and submit the following information.

**Selection Procedure:** Knights of Columbus Council #7467 and Italian Catholic Federation Branch #432 will screen and review each application and select candidates based on the evaluation of all the following information:

- Completed Application Form
- Copy of Parish Registration
- Official High School Transcript
- Copies of Acceptance Letters
- Submitted Typed Essay
- Letters of Recommendation

**Method of Payment:** Payment will be made after the selected applicants have provided proof of official enrollment from the college or university to the contact person (listed below).

**Award(s) will be presented by Officers of:** Knights of Columbus Council #7467 and Italian Catholic Federation Branch #432

**Contact Person:** Dcn John Kortuem (KofC) or Linda Kortuem (ICF) **E-Mail:** <u>jolin1040@sbcglobal.net</u> **Subject:** Immaculate Heart of Mary Scholarship 2025

**Award(s):** These awards are open to High School Seniors who are parishioners of Immaculate Heart of Mary and are entering the first year of college. Applications will be judged on the basis of academic excellence, membership in and service to the Catholic community, personal qualifications including values and beliefs consistent with each sponsoring group as evaluated by the committees of the Knights of Columbus Council #7467 and Italian Catholic Federation Branch #432.

The applicant must be applying to an accredited college or university or trade school. <u>Award funds may</u> <u>be used for tuition or other college expenses</u>. The winner will be required to provide written notification of the class enrollment by December 31, 2025.

Payments will be made directly to the family for use as needed to pay the accredited college expenses.

**Forfeiture:** If no winner is chosen for a scholarship and /or applicant does not fulfill requirements within the allotted timeframe, and/or if the winner does not reflect the values of the Catholic community and principles of the Knights of Columbus and/or Italian Catholic Federation the funds may be withheld by the awarding group.

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#### **APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS**

Students who would like to be considered for this scholarship must be able to meet and provide the following requirements.

- 1. Must complete Application Forms
- 2. Copy of Parish Registration Form (Parish office can assist)
- 3. Official high school transcript from accredited school in a sealed envelope
- 4. Copy of official acceptance letter(s) from accredited college or university.
- 5. Completed essay (250 words minimum to 500 words maximum)
- 6. Must be graduating from an accredited secondary school.
- 7. Reference form completed from (a) and one from either (b) or (c) below. (All reference forms are to be signed and submitted in sealed envelopes)
  - a. Church Official or Ministry Leader (Mandatory)
  - b. School Administrator or Counselor or
  - c. Supervisor/Teacher/Employer
- 8. Applicants will place all documentation in a legal sized envelope and address as follows:
  - a. Return address:

#### Last Name, First Name Name of School Home Address

b. Mailing address:

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- c. All envelopes are to be post marked by May 16, 2025.
- d. Winners will be notified by May 30, 2025 by a member of the Knights of Columbus Council #7467 and Italian Catholic Federation Branch #432 either by email, phone call, or mail.

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Italian Catholic Federation Branch #432 Immaculate Heart of Mary 2025 Scholarships APPLICATION FORM			
Name			
Address			
City	Zip Code	Telephone( )	
E-Mail Address			
School Name & Addres	S		
Father Name			
Mother's Name			
I intend to major in:			
Brief explanation of maj	or		
I intend to minor in:			
Brief explanation of min	or		
Signature of Applicant		Date	
All document	ation MUST be received at the same re to submit all documents will result	time and by the Post Mark Date on page 2.	

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**ESSAY FORM**: Applicants are to type their essay. Essay should contain: (250 words minimum to 500 words maximum, doubled space, size 12 fonts)

<u>" Faith, without action is dead."</u> <u>Pope Francis on James 2:17</u>

How do you see yourself sharing in the church's work of sharing Christ's life and love with the world? How are you sharing this life in your current faith life?

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#### **Guidelines for Letters of Recommendations**

# Students are to submit a letter of Recommendation from each of the following sources (2 letters). Letters are to be in an officially sealed envelope:

- Administrator, Counselor or Teacher of your high school
- Church or Ministry Official of Immaculate Heart of Mary

#### Letters of recommendations should address the following

- What is your considered recommendation to this body concerning this applicant?
- Is there any information you feel the committee should know or consider?

#### Letters of recommendations should include insight and examples of the following:

- Self Direction and Self Discipline:
- Work Habits
- Involvement

All letters should be placed in a sealed envelope and returned to student for submission

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### Knights of Columbus Council #7467 and <sup>W</sup> Italian Catholic Federation Branch #432 Immaculate Heart of Mary 2025 Scholarships STUDENT CHECKLIST

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_

Please submit all documents in the following order.

- 1. \_\_\_\_ Application Form (page 3)
- 2. \_\_\_\_ Essay (250 words minimum to 500 maximum) (page 4)
- 3. \_\_\_ Copy of Parish Registration
- 4. \_\_\_\_ Official Transcript (sealed)
- 5. \_\_\_\_ College or University (letter(s) of acceptance
- 6. \_\_\_\_ Letter from School Administrator, Counselor or teacher
- 7. \_\_\_\_ Letter from Church Official or Ministry Leader

Applicants will place all documentation in a legal size envelope and address as follows

a. Return address

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b. Mailing address

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c. All envelopes are to be post marked by May 15th, 2025

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