## **Litchfield County University Club Scholarship Committee**

P.O. Box 1115, New Milford, CT 06776 (860) 354-3457 January 2024 INSTRUCTION SHEET FOR APPLICANTS

# SCHOLARSHIPS TOTALING OVER \$80,000.00 WILL BE AWARDED BY THE LITCHFIELD COUNTY UNIVERSITY CLUB IN 2024

#### APPLICATIONS DUE TO SCHOOL GUIDANCE COUNSELOR NO LATER THAN MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2024

This summer the Litchfield County University Club will award scholarships totaling over \$80,000 to Litchfield County residents who are graduates of any public or independent school in Litchfield County. Students must plan to enter, as a full-time student, either an accredited four-year college or university leading to a Bachelors degree or an accredited two-year college with the intention of later transferring to an accredited four-year college leading to a Bachelors degree.

### Scholarships are for one year only.

Applicants who meet the Litchfield County University Club criteria will be interviewed by the Club Scholarship Committee and will be notified of date, time, and place of the interview. Financial need and superior academic performance are necessary attributes of scholarship recipients.

#### HOW TO APPLY

In order for a candidate to be considered, the Scholarship Committee MUST receive a completed application, an academic transcript, the required IRS information and the SAR form.

Secure an application form from your guidance counselor, complete and sign the form, and return it to your guidance counselor no later than Monday, April 15, 2024. Your guidance counselor will forward the completed application with an academic transcript to the Scholarship Committee, to be received no later than Monday April 22, 2024.

#### Parents 2023 IRS form 1040 pages 1 and 2

To be considered for a scholarship we require a copy of pages 1 and 2 of the IRS Form 1040 for 2023. Please remove all social security numbers on these forms and mail these forms under separate cover to the Litchfield County Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 1115, New Milford, CT 06776. IRS forms must be received by April 22, 2024. By doing this we will maintain confidentiality within the Scholarship Committee.

Because the scholarship is competitive, it is unlikely that any student not ranking in the top quarter of his or her class would be selected for a scholarship.

Students **MUST** complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). This form is available from high school counselors. Follow its instructions. After completing the FAFSA form, you will receive a Student Aid Report (SAR) Acknowledgement. The SAR Acknowledgement will be mailed to you within 2-4 weeks after submitting the FAFSA for processing. If you either complete the FAFSA online or provide an e-mail address on the paper application, you will receive an e-mail copy within 1-2 weeks with a link to your SAR. By using the e-mail link, you may print a copy of the SAR. Please provide LCUC with a photocopy of pages 1 and 2 of your SAR by April 22, 2024.

Interviews will be scheduled and conducted on-line and in-person in mid-May.

John Cox, Chair Scholarship Committee