

# LUBBOCK LIONS CLUB OUTSTANDING YOUTH CONTEST APPLICATION

**To Be Eligible, Applications Must Be  
In Our Office By Contest Entry Deadline  
Wednesday, October 5, 2016, 3:00 p.m.**

Lubbock Lions Club  
#4 Briercroft Office Park  
Lubbock, TX 79412  
(806) 763-4789 Phone (806) 763-7324 Fax

Contestant Name: \_\_\_\_\_  Male  Female DOB \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Cell phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's or Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_

Lubbock Lions Club member sponsor (must be a relative) \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to sponsor:  Daughter  Son  Granddaughter  Grandson  Niece  Nephew

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade (circle one) 9<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> Current GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

## Contest Eligibility Rules:

1. A false statement on this contest entry application can cause disqualification of the contestant.
2. Contestants shall be evaluated on: (a) high school grade point average, (b) 500-word essay, (c) personal resume (a biographical information statement), community or volunteer service experience, community leadership experience/participation, (d) two letters of recommendation, and (e) personal interview.
3. The following criteria shall be used for judging:
  - a. Fifteen percent (15%) – Grade point average from school transcript.
  - b. Twenty percent (20%) – 500-Word essay – “Volunteerism and Its Importance” – tell why you feel volunteerism is important in a young person’s life. Please site specifics to exemplify your statements. Please attach to application
  - c. Twenty percent (20%) – Personal resume (biographical information statement), please attach to application, and complete the form on page 3, “Community or Volunteer Service Experience / Community Leadership Experience.”
  - d. Fifteen percent (15%) – Two letters of recommendation, excluding family members.
  - e. Thirty percent (30%) – Personal interview.
4. Contestants must be enrolled in school either public/charter school/private school/home school, and currently be in the 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, or 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

5. The contest shall be conducted in the English language and all contestants shall speak and write in English when participating in Lions Club activities.
6. The Lubbock Lions Club Outstanding Youth Program consists of two separate contests, one for the young men and one for the young ladies. One winner will be selected for each of the two categories.
7. Each contest winner will be awarded a *ONE THOUSAND-DOLLAR SCHOLARSHIP!* This will be paid at such time as you enroll in and enter into your post-high school education in an institution such as a university, college, junior college, or vocational training program. The winner will provide us with a copy of their billing statement and proof of enrollment from the college of their choice and we will write the check directly to that college on behalf of the winner

#### **Duties & Responsibilities of the Winners:**

1. The winners will serve as the Lubbock Lions Club Outstanding Youth for a one year term and will begin serving immediately after winning the contest.
2. It is a REQUIREMENT that the winners will attend the meetings as much as possible or at the least, one meeting per month, each Tuesday at noon, at the Scottish Rite Center. We understand that there will be rare occasions when the winner is not able to be with us and will work with your school schedule.
3. It is a REQUIREMENT that the winners participate in the fund raising projects: the Pancake Festival, 4<sup>th</sup> Of July Flag Sales, and Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army.
4. Although we do not expect it, should the winner be unable or unwilling to fulfill their duties during their one-year term, Lubbock Lions Club reserves the right to modify (including forfeiture) the scholarship in accordance to the level of participation the winner was able to provide. The selected Outstanding Youth winners will find our members to be very friendly and will welcome you with special honor at each of our meetings.

#### **Application Information and Deadline**

1. **Contest applications must be received by 3:00 p.m. October 5, 2016.**
2. Two letters of recommendation must be received in the Lubbock Lions Club Office by 3:00 p.m. October 5, 2016. One letter is required from the contestant's school by a teacher, principle or counselor. The other letter can be from a pastor, or someone in the community. None of the letters can come from any person who is a relative of the contestant.
3. The letters of recommendation must be mailed by the letter's author directly to Lubbock Lions Club #4 Briercroft Office Park, Lubbock, TX 79412. **These must be received by 3:00 p.m. October 5, 2016. (They may also be emailed to [lublions@lubbocklions.org](mailto:lublions@lubbocklions.org) or faxed to 806-763-7324 by 3:00 p.m. October 5, 2016.)**
4. A recent photograph, preferably a headshot, should be attached to this application, see page 3.
5. Judging and interviews of applicants will take place on Monday, October 10, 2016, beginning at 3pm, at the Lubbock Lions Club office, #4 Briercroft Office Park. Appointments for the interviews will be scheduled for each eligible contestant.

**Community/Volunteer Service Experience (Add additional pages as needed)**

| Organization | Year(s) | Participation hours per month | Description of Activities |
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**Community Leadership Experience (Add additional pages as needed)**

| Organization | Year(s) | Participation hours per month | Description of Activities |
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**Signatures and Photograph**

By signing this contest application, I acknowledge that I have read and that I understand the contest rules of eligibility and that I meet all of these requirements. I give my permission for the judges and representatives of Lubbock Lions Club to speak with the authors of the two letters of recommendation that are part of this contest.

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**Contestant's Signature**

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**Date Signed**

By signing this contest application I acknowledge that I am the parent and or legal guardian of this contestant and that I grant my permission for this contestant to participate in this contest. If this contestant is selected as the winner, I will do my best to support the contestant to fulfill their duties. I have read and understand the contest rules of eligibility and I attest that this contestant meets all of these requirements.

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**Parent's or Guardian's Signature**

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**Date Signed**

**Please attach a photograph of the contestant on this page, preferably a headshot. Please mail or hand-deliver the complete application by the deadline date of Wednesday, October 5, 2016 at 300pm to the Lubbock Lions Club office: #4 Briercroft Office Park, Lubbock, TX, 79412. Or if you prefer to scan/email the application and the photograph (must be clear) to: [lublions@lubbocklions.org](mailto:lublions@lubbocklions.org)**

(Please provide these to the individuals writing the letters.)

### ***Instructions For Letters Of Recommendation***

\_\_\_\_\_ has entered the Outstanding Youth Contest of the Lubbock Lions Club. The mission of the program is to help and challenge youth to learn, to achieve and to serve. Please tell us why you would recommend this contestant to be the youth representative for our club. Include in your recommendation the specific character strengths demonstrated to you by this individual.

We do not want the contestant to ever see your letter of recommendation. Only the contest judges and contest administrators will see your letter. Please tell us if there are reasons why this contestant might not yet be ready to represent the Lubbock Lions Club. If a contest judge has questions, please provide us with your telephone number. As a part of the contest application, each contestant has granted their permission for the Lubbock Lions Club to contact you. Please mail or personally deliver this letter to:

Lubbock Lions Club  
#4 Briercroft Office Park  
Lubbock, TX 79412

If you would like, you may fax it to Lubbock Lions Club at 806-763-7324 or email to [lublions@lubbocklions.org](mailto:lublions@lubbocklions.org)

Your letter must be received in the office of Lubbock Lions Club by 3:00 p.m. October 5, 2016. The contestant's score could be adversely affected if you fail to meet this deadline.