SYCAMORE CHAMPIONS FOUNDATION

Future Community Leaders Scholarship Application

The Sycamore Champions Foundation is proud to offer the Future Community Leaders Scholarship to recognize and support the next generation of leaders in our community. This scholarship is awarded to students who demonstrate leadership, a commitment to service, and a passion for making a positive difference in the lives of others.

We believe that strong communities thrive when individuals step up, lead with integrity, and inspire others to work together. Tomorrow's leaders are today's students—and this scholarship honors those who are ready to take on that role.

Scholarship Award

Amount: $500

Eligibility: Open to graduating high school seniors who live in the Sycamore community and/or attend Sycamore High School.

Criteria: Applicants must demonstrate **community leadership**, including through school, community, work, or volunteer activities and share a vision for how they plan to lead in the future.

Application Requirements

Please submit the following:

- This completed application form.
- Essay describing why community leadership matters to our community and how you see yourself contributing as a future leader in Sycamore or beyond. *(400-600 words)*
- Letter of Recommendation from a teacher, employer, mentor, or community leader.

Student Information

Full Name: _____ **Graduation Year:** _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

Parent/Guardian Information

Name(s): _____

Activities & Involvement

Please list your community leadership roles, extra-curricular school activities, volunteer work, and/or employment experiences that highlight your leadership skills. Attach additional pages, if needed.

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Future Plans

Intended College/Trade School/Program/Certification: _____

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Field of Study or Career Interest: _____

What inspired you to choose that field of study or career interest: *Attach additional pages, if needed* _ _____:

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Certification

I certify that the information provided in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Completed applications and all required materials must be submitted by April 10, 2027 to: **Sycamore Champions Foundation**
519 W State Street
Sycamore, IL 60178 or email to director@sycamorechampions.org