Annual Scholarship Reviewer Rubrics

Academic Learning & Reflection (20 points possible)	Score
Academic Reflection Essay Question - 20 Points	
20 points	
 Demonstrates in-depth reflection of educational journey Provides specific examples to support reflection 	
15 points	
 Demonstrates adequate reflection of educational journey Provides general examples to support reflection 	
10 points	
 Demonstrates some reflection of educational journey 	
Provides no examples provided to support reflection	
5 points	
 The response provides very little or no insight into the applicant's educational journey 	
 The respondent's lack of clarity impacts the reviewer's ability to score and/or does not respond to the prompt. 	
0 points	
Did not provide enough information to determine a score	

Financial Need Rubric (50 points possible)

Score

There are 3 sections on this rubric - Responsibilities, Debt, and Need. Each section is scored individually.

Responsibilities - 16 Points

This section is meant to consider all financial responsibilities that the student has - household expenses, supporting family members, debt, etc.

16 points

• Has many expenses and/or provided an explanation of those responsibilities.

11 points

• Has some expenses and/or provided some explanation of those responsibilities.

5 points

• Has few expenses and/or provided little explanation of those responsibilities.

0 points

• Has no expenses.

<u>OR</u>

• Did not provide enough information to determine a score

Debt - 17 Points

This section is exclusively about whether the student will go into debt to pay for school this year.

17 points

 Student can only pay for school via options that incur debt (credit card, student loans, etc.)

11 points

• Student can cover a portion of their tuition through funding sources that do not incur debt (scholarships, grants, family support, etc.)

5 points

• Student can cover most of their tuition through funding sources that do not incur debt (scholarships, grants, family support, etc.)

0 points

• Student can cover all of their tuition through funding sources that do not incur debt (scholarships, grants, family support, etc.)

<u>OR</u>

• Did not provide enough information to determine a score

Need - 17 Points

This section covers both of the previous sections. How many expenses does the student have? How much are they going to pay for school this year? Will they go into debt to pay for school?

17 points

• Has many expenses or circumstances that create financial need.

11 points

• Has some expenses or circumstances that create financial need.

5 points

• Has few expenses or circumstances that create financial need.

0 points

• Has no expenses or circumstances that create financial need.

OR

• Did not provide enough information to determine a score

Planning for the Future Rubric (30 total points possible)	Score
There are three essays in this section. Each essay is worth ten points for a total of 30 points for this section. The essays are scored individually on AwardSpring.	
 10 points The essay is written with a clear and detailed response to the prompt and shows thought, focus, and organization. The essay highlights current circumstances in the applicant's life that support the need for this scholarship using personal narrative and examples as evidence. The essay provides insight into the applicant's character, strengths, and educational goals. 	
 7 points The essay is clear but lacks a focused and detailed response to the prompt. The essay highlights the current circumstances in the applicant's life that support the need for this scholarship using a personal narrative but lacks supporting examples. The essay provides some insight into the applicant's character, strengths, and educational goals. 	
 The essay lacks clarity and/or a focused and detailed response to the prompt The essay needed more substance and/or supporting examples to effectively highlight their current personal circumstances that support the need for this scholarship. The essay provides little insight into the applicant's character, strengths, and educational goals. 	
 O points The response's lack of clarity impacts the reviewer's ability to score, and/or does not respond to the prompt. The essay did not provide enough information about their current circumstances. The essay provides no insight into the applicant's character, strengths, and educational goals. 	
 Did not provide enough information to determine a score. 	