



Frank J. Czarnik / Jim M. Heffern
Memorial College Scholarship
Application Form 2026



OVERVIEW

Frank and Jim were special people to the Elk Grove community. They were devoted public servants, dearly remembered for their tremendous love of their community and work through the Elk Grove Park District.

The Czarnik/Heffern Memorial Scholarship committee will award a \$2,000.00 scholarship to selected submissions received from residents of Elk Grove Village.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for this scholarship, the applicant must meet the following criteria:

- ✓ Be a verified resident of Elk Grove Village.
- ✓ Be a graduating High School Senior who will be attending a college/university, junior college or trade school next fall.
- ✓ Have actively participated in any school and/or community program(s) involving and reflecting volunteerism and leadership.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS - Application Form and One-Page Essay

While serving the community, Frank and Jim embodied the spirit of true leaders. Their personal strengths included a tremendous sense of humor, strong desire to serve the community, great integrity, and tremendous compassion.

The scholarship committee is seeking people who are active in the community and best exemplify the qualities of Frank and Jim. The applicant must create a simple one-page essay explaining how he or she serves as a community leader and/or volunteer. The scholarship will be awarded to the applicants who, in the opinion of the judges, best demonstrate this spirit of leadership and volunteerism.

ITEMS REQUIRED FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

- Complete the attached application form in full, including signature of a High School Official.
- Attach a one-page essay demonstrating the applicant's leadership/volunteerism.
- Place the application and essay in a sealed envelope and mail by May 20, 2026 (late applicants may not be accepted).
- Submit these items to: Czarnik/Heffern Memorial Scholarship, c/o Frank P. Czarnik, 730 Arizona Pass, Elk Grove Village, Illinois 60007.



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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANT MUST COMPLETE, ATTACH, AND SUBMIT THIS FORM WITH THEIR ONE-PAGE ESSAY

SECTION 1 - To be completed by Applicant

High School Applicant's Information (*Please Print Clearly*)

Your Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ email: _____

Parent Name: _____ email: _____

High School: _____

College/school that you will be attending next fall: _____

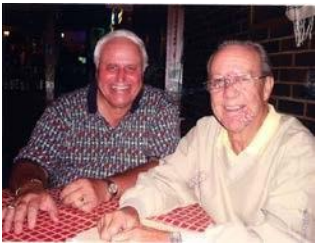
SECTION 2- To be completed by a High School Official
Certification of Participation

The applicant must have the following statement signed by an official at your high school (Coach, Athletic Director, Principal, Dean, Assistant Principal, or Counselor), indicating that you participated in one or more school and/or community programs during your high school tenure.

I acknowledge that the above scholarship applicant fulfilled the above requirements.

Signature of Official: _____ **Title:** _____

Date: _____ **High School:** _____



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SECTION 3- Attach a One Page Essay to be Completed by the Applicant

The applicant must create a simple essay no longer than one page, single spaced. The essay will explain to the judge(s) how the applicant serves as a community leader and/or volunteer. The scholarships will be awarded to the applicants who, in the opinion of the judges, best demonstrate the spirit of leadership and volunteerism in honor of Frank J. Czarnik and Jim Heffern.