



## **Qualifying Criteria for the Riley P. Counahan Memorial Scholarship:**

Applicants for the Riley P. Counahan Memorial Scholarship will meet the qualifying criteria:

- The student is a senior preparing for high school graduation in the spring of the current year;
- The applicant is a student in good standing and will graduate with a cumulative GPA of 2.65 or higher;
- The student will have applied to college(s) and intends to enroll and attend classes in the summer or fall following the award;
- The student must have at least 8 total volunteer experiences with the Foodbank during his/her junior and senior years with at least 20 total hours; preference will be given to students who surpass these targets in exemplary ways;
- The student must fully complete the application provided by the Foodbank;
- Preference will be given to students who can provide examples of leadership, community involvement, participation in athletics and extra-curricular opportunities, and volunteerism beyond their Foodbank experience;
- Students will attach a one-page essay to their application describing why they are deserving of this award, and what it will mean in achieving their college goals.
- Students will include at least one letter of recommendation from a teacher, coach, guidance counselor, or employer.

**Student Application**  
**Submitted for Consideration**  
**The Riley P. Counahan Memorial Scholarship**

- Name:
- High School:
- Date of Graduation:
- College Choice(s):
- Number of Foodbank volunteer experiences:
- Total Foodbank volunteer hours:
- Current High School GPA:
  - Attach a copy of your most recent grade report.
- High School extra-curricular activities:
  - Include sports, student government, academic clubs, theatre, and other school-supported activities. Attach separate page if desired.
- Community involvement and additional volunteerism
  - Include participation in non-school related activities and volunteerism beyond your Foodbank opportunities. Attach separate page to describe if desired.
- Please attach a separate, one-page essay that describes why you deserve to earn this award. Include a review of your accomplishments, goals, and future intentions, remembering the warm generous spirit of Riley Counahan.
- Please attach a letter(s) of recommendation from a teacher, guidance counselor, coach, or employer.
- Return this completed application along with attachments to the Foodbank by Friday, March 20, 2020.

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