

Knights of Columbus Council 12021 (St Paul the Apostle) 2023 High School Scholarship Application

I. Personal Information:

Last Name First Name MI Male/Female

Street address City State Zip Code

Telephone number Email address

Date of birth

Mother's Last & First Name

Father's Last & First Name

Current school information :

Saint Paul Catholic Classical School Richardson TX
School name City State

3.3 2023 - 8th grade
Estimated GPA (2022-23 school year) Year of graduation

Upcoming 2023-2024 high school information: **Please attach a copy of high school acceptance letter.**

John Paul II High School Plano TX
School name City State

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II. Faith/Volunteer service information :

Please list and describe your involvement this past school year in any community, parish, school or family-related activities in which service to others has been a key component (e.g. tutoring, care or visitation of the sick or elderly, service within a youth ministry (e.g. St Paul Youth Ministry, altar service, house or yard work for the sick or elderly, charitable associations, babysitting, camp assistant, etc). If your involvement in some of these activities began prior to this school year and are still continuing them, please include your years of involvement.

Altar Serving:

I altar serve at St. Paul for parish and school masses. It is a privilege to serve at the Altar of God and assist with mass because it makes me feel closer to our Lord. I began altar serving in 2021.

School Ambassador:

I lead prayers over the public address system for the entire school, usher for mass, and help with large events such as the 2022 Eighth-Grade Graduation, the Christmas Program, and the Open House. I also give tours to prospective students and their families. I love meeting new people and showing them the great aspects of our school.

Feed My Starving Children:

I packed meals with my classmates for the hungry in 2022 and 2023. The meals we packaged were shipped to people in need in multiple countries in Africa.

2022 Vacation Bible School:

I helped watch and direct children of ages between kindergarten and fifth grade. I led activities for the kids including arts and crafts. I enjoy painting, drawing, and other crafts, so that was rewarding. I showed them how to dance for God as a way to celebrate and worship in a fun way.

2022-23 Babysitting and Childcare:

I love small kids, and I am gifted at caring for them. Last summer I babysat for three families, each with three young kids. I watched them four or five days per week. One day I babysat for two families. Now I babysit on the weekends as my schedule permits because I am busy with school and extracurricular activities. I always try to find something new and fun to do with them each day. I also assist my teachers with young kids at school. My school has a program where my class reads to small children. One four-year-old kid named Nico enjoys playing and being with me during that time. Sometimes Nico comes into the school crying because he wants to stay with his mom. One day when I walked into school, he was under a table near the entrance. He was crying and refusing to leave from under the table. Earlier that week, I went to the book fair and found a little book that I could give him. I found it in my backpack and asked if he wanted to read it with me. He came with me, and we went to read the book. Now he always asks me to read a book to him. Nico is one of many kids at school that I mentor and help comfort when I can.

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Cooking for my neighbors:

I have cooked and baked for my elderly and new neighbors since I was a young kid. I like to cook and make people happy. I made cake, cinnamon rolls, cookies, pierogies, and peach cobbler. I once brought cookies to my neighbors and found out that they were egg and dairy-intolerant. I made them a new batch of vegan cookies, and they loved them. Bringing snacks and meals sparks great conversations with my neighbors so I can get to know them better.

Service to Veterans:

This year, my class visited Washington, D.C. for a school-sponsored trip. One of our destinations was Arlington National Cemetery. I volunteered to lay the wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and was selected to do so by my teachers. I was honored to have the responsibility to lay the wreath to show my appreciation for their sacrifices. Locally, my school participates in a service and fundraising event for Wreaths Across America. We are encouraged to sell wreath sponsorships every fall near Veteran's Day. The school's goal for each person was 12 sponsorships. Last year, my younger brother and I, who also goes to St. Paul, went door to door in my neighborhood to sell wreath sponsorships. We sold the most wreaths at our school and later participated in the wreath-laying ceremony at the Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery.

Food drive:

In 2021, my older brother and I organized a food drive prior to Thanksgiving. I made flyers that we printed and had my mother post on Facebook. We collected donations throughout our neighborhood. My parents also donated money and told us to get the most we could buy with it. We researched sales flyers to find discounts and the lowest prices to make the money go as far as possible. All of the groceries we collected and bought were donated to the North Texas Food Bank.

III. Extracurricular activities information :

Please list and describe your involvement in any extracurricular (outside of school hours) activities (e.g. academic competitions, clubs, scouting, Vacation Bible School, hobbies, work, sports, music, etc.) during the current school year. Be sure to note any positions of leadership or awards received. If your involvement in some of these activities began prior to this school year and are still continuing them, please include your years of involvement.

Yearbook Club:

I organize and sort photos for the school yearbook. I enjoy displaying the artsy and creative talents I have that the yearbook requires.

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2018-2023 Travel Softball:

I have competed in multiple tournaments throughout the year and won MVP twice. Softball is my main sport, and I can truly perform and just be myself on the softball field. Someday, I wish to play for a D1 school. JP11, my future high school, has an excellent team that will help me reach my goal. My primary position is catcher, which requires me to be the leader on the field. I call pitches and direct the defense. I hit my first home run two weeks ago!

Enrichment:

I tested into enrichment where we work on brain puzzles, learn about taxes, and do high-level math problems. We also have started learning about taxes and W2s.

Tri-Core Math Contest:

I placed in the top 25 out of over 900 contestants.

Sports:

Basketball – I participated in Saint Patrick's basketball team. I was one of the key players and helped the team in their victories. We ended up going to the championship but lost by about 5 points.

Volleyball

Track and Field – At the city meet, I earned 2nd in shot put and 3rd in discus.

Archery

Hobbies:

I enjoy making beaded bracelets for my siblings, relatives, and friends. I also bake and decorate cakes for family birthdays.

IV. **CERTIFICATION** (MUST BE SIGNED BY APPLICANT AND ONE PARENT)

All the information provided in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. If selected for an award, I consent to my name and photo being used in the Knights of Columbus (KofC) Council #12021's monthly report, on the council's website, or in KofC promotional material.

Applicant's Printed Name

Applicant's Signature

Parent's Printed Name

Parent's Signature

4/29/2023
Date



March 10, 2023

Dear [REDACTED]

Congratulations!

I am thrilled to welcome you to the John Paul II High School community. You have been chosen for admission because of your talents, abilities, and potential. I appreciate the hard work, dedication, and academic skills you have demonstrated thus far, and believe you will become an intrinsic part of our Cardinal Family as you continue to develop as a leader and critical thinker, committed to service and rooted in faith.

Get ready for an amazing college preparatory experience! If you have not already done so, be sure to log in to your Ravenna account to view an acceptance video created by current students just for you, Bridget. We cannot wait to have you on campus!

Your parents received an email with instructions for *online* enrollment. You can officially secure your place in the JP II Class of 2027 by completing your *online* enrollment **no later than Friday, March 24th.**

Again, I want to congratulate you on your acceptance. The integral formation that students receive from our Cardinal community engenders a lifelong responsibility to God and fellow man. Recipients of a JP II education are equipped with the tools to become morally grounded, critically minded, and socially responsible leaders in our society.

John Paul II High School is proud to welcome you to our Cardinal Family!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Lauren Westerfield

Director of Admissions

VISION: We will make a difference in the world by walking in the footsteps of Pope John Paul II.

MISSION: To develop leaders who are critical thinkers and effective communicators, committed to service and rooted in faith.

04/27/2023



SAINT PAUL
THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC
CHURCH

Dear Knights of Columbus,

As the Middle School Youth Coordinator, [REDACTED] was a confirmation student at St. Paul School this year. She is a school altar server and, she is involved in our monthly confirmation meetings and confirmation school activities.

Bridget participates in our confirmation activities in the church and in our community. Her charism, and her joy for her faith always shines throughout the class. She is always happy and always willing to help other with a joyful heart. I highly recommend [REDACTED] because she has showed that she is a leader and not just a leader a great leader that is willing to learn more about God and her faith. [REDACTED] always participates in the class with questions and comments that shows how interested she is to learn more about God and her faith.

It's been a pleasure in knowing [REDACTED] and watch her grow in her faith and character. I believe she shows all the qualities required by the Knights of Columbus scholarship.

Thank you so much for your time.

Sincerely,

Hector Abreu

Coordinator Of Middle School Youth Ministry
Saint Paul The Apostle Catholic Church

