



## **APPLICATION FOR THE CENTER FOR BELGIAN CULTURE SCHOLAR AWARD PROGRAM**

The Center for Belgian Culture of Western Illinois currently has a fund available for high school seniors. The purpose of the award is to encourage students of fine character, personality and ability to persist in achieving their educational goals. This fund may be used for college tuition and/or expenses. The award is \$1,000 and may be awarded to three individuals.

To qualify for the award, the applicant must fulfill the following requirements:

1. Student must be a senior in high school and considered a student in good standing during the current school year, early or regular graduation.
2. Student must have a minimum grade point average of 3.0 based on a 4.0 system.
3. Submission of a letter of recommendation from someone (non-relative) who knows the applicant as a student, an employee, or a volunteer i.e. someone who can provide insight into the applicant's personal character, potential and motivation.
4. Complete the attached application form.
5. On a separate piece of paper, attach a 500 to 1,000-word essay on your heritage.
6. Proof of enrollment or acceptance at college.

An award committee will select the candidate(s) for the award. The committee must receive applications by April 15, 2024. Only complete application packets will be considered by the committee. The award will be awarded at The Center for Belgian Culture Annual Meeting. The Center reserves the rights to promote this award in their publications and with the local media.

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The information requested on this application will help the awards committee determine your qualifications for a scholar award. It is to your advantage to give as complete and accurate answers as possible to all questions. Your answers will be seen only by authorized persons who are associated with the scholar award and will be held in confidence.

### I. Personal Data

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Name of High School \_\_\_\_\_

College of Choice \_\_\_\_\_

Intended Major \_\_\_\_\_

### II. Educational Data

Applicant's Grade Point Average \_\_\_\_\_ Based on Grading Scale \_\_\_\_\_

ACT score \_\_\_\_\_ or SAT score \_\_\_\_\_ Class Rank \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Students in your class \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Students in your High School \_\_\_\_\_

Name and phone number of registrar or school official to verify information.

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Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number

### III. Current Center Members - Self, Parents & Grandparents (if applicable)

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**IV. On a *separate piece of paper*, attach an essay (500 to 1,000 words) that addresses your heritage. You may also email your essay in .pdf or .doc format to [lauriebelliott@gmail.com](mailto:lauriebelliott@gmail.com). If you win, we will need a copy in a Word document format for our newsletter.**

**V. Certification:**

I certify that the statements herein are true to the best of my knowledge. I grant my permission for the information contained herein to be shared with the Award Committee. If awarded a Center for Belgian Culture Scholar Award, I release to the Center the right to use my name picture and contained information for publications, reports and press releases.

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Complete application package may be mailed to:

Center of Belgian Culture  
Attn: Laurie Boussemaere Elliott  
1608 7th Street  
Moline, IL 61265

Submission deadline is April 15, 2024. Mailed application packages must be postmarked on or before April 15, 2024, or scanned and emailed to [lauriebelliott@gmail.com](mailto:lauriebelliott@gmail.com) by April 15, 2024.

Award Presentation will be held in June.

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### **CHECKLIST**

- 1. Letter of recommendation**
- 2. Attached application.**
- 3. Proof of enrollment or acceptance at college**
- 4. 500-to-1,000-word essay on your heritage**