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To: Counselor for Scholarships
Re: Imperial Valley Kennel Club Scholarship

The Imperial Valley Kennel Club, a licensed officiate of the American Kennel Club, annually provides scholarships to Imperial Valley students. The individual amount has varied from \$200 to \$2,000, depending on the number of awards made.

There are two scholarship categories. One is for graduating high school seniors and the other is for college students enrolled in either a recognized college of veterinary medicine or animal health technician program. The purpose of this communication is to enlist your assistance in acquainting eligible students with the availability of the scholarship. Copies of the application can be made and multiple students from the same school are eligible to apply.

GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AWARD:

A. Prerequisites

1. Legal resident of Imperial County, CA
2. Graduating senior in high school
3. An intention upon graduation of entering college and pursuing a curriculum and career in an animal or agriculture field, eg. animal husbandry, zoology, biology, entomology, veterinary medicine, animal health technology, etc.
4. Submission of a completed application to be received by the Imperial Valley Kennel Club scholarship committee by April 15 of the year in which the award is to be made.

B. Judging Criteria

1. Prerequisites met
2. G.P.A. (official transcripts must be submitted)
3. Extra-curricular activities
4. Two letters of recommendation from teachers
5. One letter of recommendation from non-school associated adult.
6. Two personal essays.

STUDENTS PRESENTLY ENROLLED IN COLLEGE AWARD:

A. Prerequisites

1. Legal resident or former resident of Imperial County, CA
2. Presently enrolled in a recognized animal health technician program or four year Doctor of Veterinary Medicine program.

3. Submission of a completed application to be received by the Imperial Valley Kennel Club Scholarship July 1, of the year in which the award is to be made.

B. Judging Criteria

1. Prerequisites met
2. Copy of college or program acceptance letter.
3. Two letters of recommendation from teachers.
4. One letter of recommendation from non-school associated adult.
5. Two personal essays.

PART II: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

A. Transcripts: Be sure to include a copy of your high school transcripts (for high school applicants only)

B. Letter of Acceptance: Include a copy of your letter of acceptance for an AHT program or a DVM/VMD program (for post-secondary applicants only)

C. Four Letters of Recommendation: Enclose two letters of recommendation from teachers and two letters from non-school associated adults. The letters should include the name, occupation and phone number of the sender.

Part III: Essay Subjects

Please write one to three paragraphs on each of the following two topics. Essays should be less than 500 words each. Completed essays should be attached to your application.

A. "Should emotional support dogs be considered service animals?"

B. Autobiography: Write a brief autobiography in which you discuss your personal and education background. Include any activities and experiences you believe are significant.

Please address any questions or inquires to the Imperial Kennel Club Scholarship Committee, c/o Craig Satow, DVM at 805 North Rodeo Drive, Imperial, CA 92251, or phone 760-355-0141.

Sincerely,

Craig Satow, DVM
IVKC Scholarship Committee Chairman
Imperial Valley Kennel Club