



WESTERN ECONOMIC COUNCIL

February 2, 2024

Guidance Office

Re: Western Economic Council 2024 Scholarship and Citizenship Award Program

Dear School Official:

The Western Economic Council is a non-profit Ohio corporation organized in 1985 by local business leaders and interested citizens to promote balanced economic development and community pride throughout Western Hamilton County. Among other activities, we offer scholarship awards to graduating high school students in our area. These grants recognize good students for their scholastic achievements, participation in school and extracurricular activities and work, and their contributions to their communities. The awards are intended for the students' use in continuing their educations in college, trade, or vocational school. We hope that many of these students will return to this area and continue to work to improve their quality of life.

This year, the Western Economic Council will offer four \$2,500 awards to the best-qualified applicants in the current graduating classes of high schools in our area, including your school. The requirements for applying for an award are set out in the enclosed bulletin.

There may well be qualified and deserving students in your graduating class this year. To allow them to apply for an award from the Western Economic Council, please announce and post the enclosed bulletin and, we suggest, directly talking with any seniors you know who may qualify for an award, and encourage them to apply.

All applications must be received by our Scholarship and Citizenship Committee by Friday, April 19, 2024. Award winners will be notified on or before June 1, 2024. Putting an application together will take some time and thought by the applicants, so letting students know as soon as possible about the program would be appreciated.

If you or your graduating seniors have any questions about the program or its requirements, please call me at 513-598-3062.

Sincerely,

Western Economic Council

Frank Birkenhauer, Committee Chairman