

## StriveTogether Art Inspires Scholarship

Through the Art Inspires scholarship opportunity, StriveTogether will select works of art to be featured in its [new Cincinnati headquarters](#). The selected student artists will receive a \$1,000 scholarship to support tuition, fees, books and other items required for coursework at a postsecondary institution in the 2018–2019 academic year.

The artwork created through this opportunity will inspire StriveTogether staff and partners each day as they work to achieve the organization’s vision: the success of every child from cradle to career. Applications must be submitted by Tuesday, May 29, 2018. Scholarship winners will be notified by Friday, June 15, 2018, and will receive their prize upon receipt of proof of enrollment within an eligible postsecondary institution. StriveTogether will cover costs to ship the selected work of arts in addition to the scholarship prize.

### Selection Criteria

A qualified judging panel, as selected at StriveTogether’s sole discretion, will select up to ten (10) submitted works of art based on the following criteria:

- Creativity and aesthetics
- Connection to StriveTogether’s vision (the success of every child from cradle to career) and [values](#) (community, courage, equity, progress and results)
- The work’s ability to inspire

### Eligibility

To be eligible to submit a work of art for the chance to receive a scholarship, students must:

- Be a current senior at a Qualifying High School and or be enrolled as an undergraduate at a postsecondary institution (such as a university, college or community college) for classes in Fall 2018. A “Qualifying High School” is one that: (a) provides a program that is acceptable for full credit toward a bachelor’s or higher degree, or offers a program of training to prepare students for gainful employment in a recognized occupation; and (b) is authorized under federal or state law to provide such a program and is accredited by a nationally recognized accreditation agency.
- Be a legal U.S. resident who currently attends or has attended high school or a postsecondary institution [in a community where there is currently a StriveTogether partnership \(see Application Form for a list of participating communities\)](#).
- Be willing to permanently donate their work of art to StriveTogether to be exhibited in its headquarters in Cincinnati.
- Be willing to be featured in StriveTogether communications, including blogs, social media, email newsletters and/or other forms of communication.

In the event an entrant is a minor, such minor entrant’s parent or guardian must sign the scholarship application and any other required documents.

Members of the Board of Directors, officers and employees of StriveTogether, Inc., and the family members of, and any persons residing with, any such persons, are not eligible to enter or to win. The term “family members” includes spouses, parents, grandparents, siblings, children, grandchildren and in-laws, regardless of where they live.

For full Official Terms and Conditions, visit: <https://www.strivetogether.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/StriveTogether-2018-Art-Inspires-Scholarship-terms-and-conditions.pdf>

### **Submission Instructions**

Applications must be submitted by May 29, 2018, to [info@strivetogether.org](mailto:info@strivetogether.org). A complete application includes:

- Scholarship application form with applicant information and a two-part essay
- A video explaining the work of art
- 2–5 photos of the work of art
- Proof of intent to attend or current enrollment in a postsecondary institution (e.g., a letter of acceptance from such postsecondary institution)
- A signature page (scanned separately)

Thank you for your art and your inspiration! Good luck!

### **About StriveTogether**

StriveTogether leads a national movement of nearly 70 communities to get better results in every child’s life. We coach and connect local partnerships across the country to close gaps, especially for children of color and low-income children. Communities using our proven approach have seen measurable gains in kindergarten readiness, academic achievement and postsecondary success. The StriveTogether Cradle to Career Network reaches 10.4 million students, involves 10,800 organizations and has partners in 30 states and Washington, D.C. To learn more, visit [strivetogether.org](http://strivetogether.org).

**StriveTogether Art Inspires Scholarship Application Form**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Current grade/year in school:**

- High school senior    College freshman    College sophomore    College junior    College senior  
 Other (please explain): \_\_\_\_\_

**Current or intended major:** \_\_\_\_\_

**What high school do you attend or did you graduate from? (Please include its name and address.)**

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**What university, college, community college, or other postsecondary institution do you currently attend as an undergraduate or will you attend as an undergraduate in Fall 2018? (Please include its name and address.)**

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**To be eligible for this scholarship, you must have attended high school or a postsecondary institution in one of the following locations where there is a StriveTogether partnership. Please select the community (or communities) where you attend/attended high school or college:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Birmingham, AL            | <input type="checkbox"/> Baltimore, MD                | <input type="checkbox"/> Warren, OH                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Anchorage, AK             | <input type="checkbox"/> Boston, MA                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Tulsa, OK                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tucson, AZ                | <input type="checkbox"/> Grand Rapids, MI             | <input type="checkbox"/> Ardmore, OK                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flagstaff, AZ             | <input type="checkbox"/> Lenawee County, MI           | <input type="checkbox"/> Multnomah County, OR                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Phoenix, AZ               | <input type="checkbox"/> Austin, MN                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Redmond, OR                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Monterey County, CA       | <input type="checkbox"/> Red Wing, MN                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Spartanburg County, SC                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fresno County, CA         | <input type="checkbox"/> Minneapolis and St. Paul, MN | <input type="checkbox"/> Charleston, SC                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Marin County, CA          | <input type="checkbox"/> Northfield, MN               | <input type="checkbox"/> Memphis, TN                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> San Diego, CA             | <input type="checkbox"/> St. Cloud, MN                | <input type="checkbox"/> Dallas County, TX                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adams County, CO          | <input type="checkbox"/> Columbia, MO                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Austin, TX                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Waterbury, CT             | <input type="checkbox"/> Albuquerque, NM              | <input type="checkbox"/> Bexar County, TX                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bridgeport, CT            | <input type="checkbox"/> Albany, NY                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Rio Grande Valley, TX                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Norwalk, CT               | <input type="checkbox"/> Geneva, NY                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Salt Lake City, UT                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stamford, CT              | <input type="checkbox"/> New York, NY                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Richmond, VA                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Washington, DC            | <input type="checkbox"/> North Country Region, NY     | <input type="checkbox"/> Bellevue, WA                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Escambia County, FL       | <input type="checkbox"/> Rochester, NY                | <input type="checkbox"/> Spokane County, WA                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Atlanta, GA               | <input type="checkbox"/> South Bronx, NY              | <input type="checkbox"/> Tacoma, WA                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hilo, HI                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Alamance County, NC          | <input type="checkbox"/> South King County and South<br>Seattle, WA |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boise, ID                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Winston-Salem, NC            | <input type="checkbox"/> Green Bay, WI                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pocatello, ID             | <input type="checkbox"/> Cincinnati, OH               | <input type="checkbox"/> Kenosha, WI                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Oak Park/River Forest, IL | <input type="checkbox"/> Columbus, OH                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Racine, WI                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chicago, IL               | <input type="checkbox"/> Montgomery County, OH        | <input type="checkbox"/> Milwaukee, WI                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Newport/Covington, KY     | <input type="checkbox"/> Summit County, OH            | <input type="checkbox"/> Auckland, NZ                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shreveport, LA            | <input type="checkbox"/> Toledo, OH                   |   |

### **Work of Art**

Create a work of art that expresses why educational opportunity and success is important to you.

Your art should fit one of the following categories (please select):

- Small wall art: Maximum 15 in tall x 18 in wide
- Medium wall art: Maximum 30 in tall x 25 in wide
- Large wall art: Maximum 40 in tall x 45 in wide
- Sculpture (tabletop or floor): Maximum 8 in x 8 in base and 15 in tall

Indicate the dimensions of your work of art in inches: Height \_\_\_\_ Length \_\_\_\_ Width \_\_\_\_

### **Video**

Please create a video of you and your work of art. In the video, make sure your work of art is clearly visible and answer the following questions:

- Why is educational opportunity and success important to you?
- How did you express that importance in your work of art?

The video should be brief (3 minutes or fewer). It does not need to be professionally recorded; a video from a phone, tablet or camera will suffice.

Please upload the video to a file-sharing website of your choice (YouTube, Google Drive, Dropbox, etc.)

Please insert the link to where the video is uploaded here:

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*(Note: If you are sharing the file in a private folder on Google Drive or Dropbox, please ensure the permissions are set so that "anyone with the link can view" to enable us to see the video.)*

### **Photos**

Insert (and attach to your email) 2-5 photos of your art. These photos can show both the full work of art as well as closeups/details.

### **Two-part Essay**

What are your career goals? What are your current educational plans, and how will those plans help you achieve your career aspirations? *(500 words or fewer)*

How does your work of art relate to StriveTogether's vision (the success of every child from cradle to career) and values (community, courage, equity, progress and results)? *(300 words or fewer)*

### **Proof of Intent to Attend Postsecondary**

Please attach proof of your current enrollment in or intent to attend a postsecondary institution in fall 2018. Examples include a college acceptance letter, current postsecondary transcript showing expected graduation date or a postsecondary coursework schedule.

**Signature**

By submitting this application, I certify that this work of art is my own and that the information submitted in my application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if selected, I am required to permanently assign all right, title and interest in my work of art to StriveTogether, Inc., in exchange for the scholarship and that my work of art, my likeness or aspects of my application (such as essay or video) may be featured in StriveTogether communications when publicizing the scholarship winners.

Printed Student Name:

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Student's Signature:

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*(Please print, sign, scan and attach this page separately from the rest of your application so that the photos and links included on previous pages are clearly readable and visible.)*

**For Minor Entrants:**

By submitting this application, I certify that I am the parent/legal guardian of the person named above, and I agree to the terms of this Scholarship Application and the Official Terms and Conditions on his/her behalf:

Parent/Guardian Name:

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Parent/Guardian Signature:

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