



Open Letter to School Principals and Assistant Superintendents of Curriculum:

RE: Architecture Scholarships

The Rochester Chapter of the American Institute of Architects (AIA Rochester) in conjunction with the Architectural Foundation of Greater Rochester (AFGR) is proud to announce that we are now accepting applications for the **2021 High School Architectural Scholarship Program**. These scholarships are jointly funded with contributions from AIA National, Bergmann Associates, the family of Myron Starks, AFGR, and are administered by AIA Rochester. A total of \$17,000 will be distributed to scholarship winners this year.

High school students currently enjoying their senior year during the 2020 – 2021 academic year, residing within the seven-county area of Monroe, Wayne, Livingston, Ontario, Yates, Allegany and Seneca counties, or Greater Rochester member-firm areas served by AIA Rochester are eligible for consideration. Applicants must also have been accepted by and submitted a deposit to an architectural program for attendance in the Fall 2021 academic semester. Preference may be given to students enrolled in a degree program accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board (a list of accredited architecture programs is available at [www.naab.org](http://www.naab.org)).

Emphasis for consideration is based upon the student's written response which should: address the primary reasons driving the decision to enter the profession, indicate what sparks a sense of passion and dedication to improving the built environment, and succinctly articulate the motivating factors behind pursuing architecture as a career. Additional emphasis will be placed upon the applicant's contributions to the community via civic, academic, social and leadership activities as well as the strengths contained in the required letter(s) of reference.

Completed and valid applications must be submitted to:

AIA Rochester / AFGR  
5 Castle Park  
Rochester, NY 14620  
Attn: 2021 AIA Rochester Scholarship Committee – High School Scholarship

Applications shall be postmarked no later than **April 16, 2021**. Incomplete and/or faxed copies are not eligible for consideration and will not be reviewed. Questions may be submitted via email to Linda B. Hewitt at: [lbhewitt@aiaroc.org](mailto:lbhewitt@aiaroc.org). Please visit our website at [www.aiaroc.org/2021-scholarships](http://www.aiaroc.org/2021-scholarships) to download additional applications.

We look forward to your students' participation and wish them success!

Sincerely,

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