

## **Will Richards-Saint Susanna-Bishop Fenwick High School**

Every day I try to do my best to make the people around me better as well as improve myself. That's why I am applying for the Aubrey Rose scholarship. I believe that I am a deserving and worthy person to receive this scholarship, because I am a hardworking, ambitious, caring, and faith-filled person. I've positively affected many people in my life. For example, last year I ran for Student Council Treasurer at my school. I was elected by the students, which was an honor. While in the position of treasurer, I got to meet a lot of people and collaborate on how we could make my school better. By being in this significant leadership role, I had the opportunity to influence every student in my school with my ideas, and try to make it the best school it could be. Also, I am on my school's basketball, golf, and volleyball teams. Through these sports, I've been able to be a leader, working with my teammates to get better and have fun--win or lose. I have done many service projects, helping at organizations like Matthew 25 Ministries, Hands for Hunger, and Saint Susanna's Peanut Butter and Jelly Ministry. Also, I definitely wasn't the best on my golf team, but was still voted captain. I think this shows how even though I wasn't as good as the other players, my team still trusted me to lead and be a role model. Additionally, I was a member of my school's chess club. People at my school think chess is lame, but I thought it was fun so I still joined and didn't care what other people thought. I was in our school's musical twice and I am on Saint Susanna's "Math Counts" team. This is another example of doing something other people might not consider "cool". What I've seen through participating in these kinds of activities is that others who may not have had the courage

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or were too shy to “go for it” and join, were able to see me join and decided they could do it, too.

I have made a difference in my city and in the people I have met. I have always been a leader not just at my school, but in my community. I go to my Church’s Youth Group called “Faith Alive” and do service around the community with them, too. I am an altar server for regular mass and I also serve funerals. Additionally, I am a Eucharistic Minister for my school’s mass. My teachers are always pleased with my work, and I’m not a troublemaker. I like to try new things and be adventurous. Also, I surround myself with good people that have the same interests in mind. Our goal isn’t to try to be cool, but to make good decisions, do what’s right, and help others.

I am ambitious and enjoy branching out, trying things that aren’t always considered cool or popular. I help out around my community and am a leader at my school. I do service and go to Church. My sister achieved this scholarship and is a great role model for me, because if I am chosen for this scholarship, it’s more than just money. It’s supporting me to continue my journey of helping others and being a leader. Please consider me as a worthy recipient of this Aubrey Rose Scholarship.