



# Zonta Young Woman in STEM Award

2016 Application





## Young Woman in STEM Awards

### General Information

The goal of the Zonta Young Woman in Science, Technology, Engineering, Math (STEM) award is to encourage more young women interested in STEM to pursue higher education degrees in these areas.

### Scholarship Program Goal

Today women remain in the minority in the fields of science and engineering. The goal of this scholarship is to encourage young women interested in a career in the STEM field to pursue higher education degrees in engineering, science, or math.

### Award Given

Zonta Club of Fairfax County, a member of Zonta International, a worldwide organization dedicated to improving the status of women through service and advocacy, will provide one merit-based award of \$1000 to be given to a high school senior and be applied to the 2015-2016 academic year.

### Eligibility

Technical: -Minimum grade point average (GPA) of not less than the equivalent of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale -Must be a senior at an accredited high school -Planning to pursue a bachelor's degree in science, technology, engineering, or math. Community: -Active commitment to volunteerism -Knowledge of Zonta International and its programs -Active supporter of advancing the status of women

### Application Requirements

Completion of the official application -Transcripts from high school -Verification of current enrollment by school official -500 word essay on why the applicant is interested in math, science, or engineering, what she wants to accomplish in her career, and why she deserves the scholarship -Two confidential letters of recommendation from adults not related to the applicant (teachers, school officials, etc).

### Application process

All applications must be received at the Zonta Club of Fairfax County by printed deadline.

Hardcopies should be mailed to: Dr. Gale J. Allen

7629 Long Pine Drive

Springfield, VA22151

Electronic copies should be sent to: [gallen40@cox.net](mailto:gallen40@cox.net). Applications must be received by Friday March 25, 2016.

References may be mailed separately if necessary, but must be received no later than Monday March 28, 2016.



### **Timeline**

February 5, 2016: Announcement posted on Zonta Club Fairfax website

March 25, 2016: Applications due

April, 2016: Interviews

April 29, 2016: Selectee notified

June 2016: Scholarship winner recognized at business meeting

### **Evaluation Process**

Zonta Club of Fairfax STEM scholarship is a merit-based competitive award. Zonta Club of Fairfax will evaluate the applications and select a winner based on the criteria below:

#### Evaluation Criteria –

GPA -10%

Recommendations - 15%

Interview - 25%

Essay - 50 %



**Send application by March 25 and direct questions to:**

Zonta Club of Fairfax County

c/o: Dr. Gale Allen  
Address: 7629 Long Pine Drive  
City/State: Springfield, VA 22151  
Telephone: 703.946.6198  
email address: gallen40@cox.net

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last (Family) First (Given) Middle

Present Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ email address: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and address of School  
currently attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Current year of study: \_\_\_\_\_

**DECLARATION BY APPLICANT**

I certify that all of the information contained in my application form is accurate to the best of my knowledge and that I did not receive assistance in completing the essay portion of this application. I understand that, at the option of the Zonta Club sponsoring the competition, I may be interviewed as a candidate for the Young Woman in STEM Award. I consent to the electronic or hard copy publication by Zonta Club of Fairfax of material in my application.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

First (Given)

Middle

Last (Family) Name

Recommendation from: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (please print) Position/Title

**Recommendation for Applicant for Zonta Club of Fairfax Young Woman in STEM Award**

The applicant above has applied for a Zonta Club of Fairfax Young Woman in STEM Award. Please discuss the applicant's accomplishments (both academic and community), motivation, potential for public service and awareness of women's and community issues.

**This recommendation must be mailed directly to the address above.**



## Recommendations for Young Woman in STEM Award

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## Verification of Current Enrollment for Young Woman in STEM Award

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email address: gallen40@cox.net

School: \_\_\_\_\_

I certify \_\_\_\_\_ is currently enrolled in (applicant name)

\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ (grade level)  
(name of school) (school address)

Date and Signature of School Official

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(Official School Stamp)