



2017-2018 Kraft Family's Partners in Patriotism Scholarship Application

"If you choose to do things that you are passionate about, you will not only do them better, but most importantly, you'll be a significantly happier person." – Robert Kraft

The Kraft family and the Kraft Sports and Entertainment Group are pleased to award up to five (5) Foxborough residents whom are graduating high school seniors with a Partners in Patriotism Scholarship of \$5,000 each. **Please note:** The scholarship will be paid directly to the postsecondary school upon receipt of an official sealed first semester transcript. The Qualifying candidates for this scholarship must complete the application and essay and submit to FoxboroResidents@gillette stadium.com no later than **April 30, 2018**. Please review scholarship criteria, application and essay questions below.

ABOUT THE PARTNERS IN PATRIOTISM SCHOLARSHIP

When Robert Kraft purchased the New England Patriots in 1994, he knew that, if run properly, the team could serve as a valuable community asset.

Over the years, the Patriots have strived to unite people with diverse interests and backgrounds through a shared and common love for football. The Kraft family has maintained that the success of the Patriots as an organization is not measured merely by its wins and losses on the football field, but rather by the positive impact it makes in the local community. That commitment to giving back is why the Kraft family has been one of the leading philanthropic families in the world; donating hundreds of millions of dollars to charities and nonprofits throughout New England and around the globe. In 2014, the Kraft family established, "Partners in Patriotism," a community outreach and philanthropic initiative dedicated solely to the Town of Foxborough to foster a positive and impactful public-private partnership with the community.

Paramount to the Patriots' world championship success has been the organization's philosophy that the team is greater than the sum of its parts and that every individual has a specific job to do. Hard work, integrity and mental toughness are also critical components to the philosophy, which has commonly been referred to by many as, "The Patriot Way."

To be eligible for a Partners in Patriotism scholarship, an applicant must:

- Be a Foxborough resident and a graduating high school senior
- Plan to attend a postsecondary education institution
- Demonstrate a dedication to community service and embody the "Patriot Way"
- Submit one letter of recommendation
- Complete and submit the application and essay by the due date

Essay must address one of the following questions and be no more than 1,000 words:

1. What does the “Patriot Way” mean to you?
2. In your opinion, what is the best way for you to give back to your community and why?
3. How do you plan to make a difference in your community with the education and experience you hope to gain from your postsecondary school?
4. Provide at least two (2) examples of how you have exhibited the qualities of hard work, integrity, team work and selflessness during your high school career?
5. Describe how you persevered through an adverse or difficult situation during your high school career and the lessons you learned during your journey.