



2021 Itasca Summit Scholarship Contest

Contest Specifics:

1. Itasca Economic Development Corporation will be awarding three, \$1,000 scholarships to the winners of this contest.
2. Due Date for submission of essay is October 13, 2021 at 4:00 pm.
3. Winners will be notified by October 15, 2021.
4. Winners will be asked to create a 3 – 5 minute video presentation of themselves, discussing the topic of their essay, sharing their thoughts on Itasca County's future, and the students experiences in Itasca County.
5. Due Date for submission of video is October 8th, 2021.
6. Winners will be invited to attend and participate in the 2021 Itasca Summit, at Sugar Lake Lodge on October 19th and 20th, 2021.
7. Winner's videos will be played for the audience, and the winners will have the opportunity to discuss Itasca County's future with other leaders from the region.

Eligibility:

1. Participating in NEXT Career Pathways program of:
Business, Manufacturing or Construction
2. 2022 Graduation Year
3. Attending college, technical school, or entering workforce right after school.

Requirements:

1. Written essay, 250 – 500 words, answering questions stated on next page.
2. Answer all questions
3. Name, email, phone number, of application.
4. School Attended, and Pathway Participated in.



Questions:

1. From your perspective, what is unique about Itasca County, and what is your favorite part of our region?
2. Upon Your Graduation, (and you entering the workforce) what does Itasca County need, that doesn't currently exist, for you to stay/return to our region?
3. What do you see as the best improvement Itasca County can make in the next 5 to 10 years for your generation? What do you see is the one thing that Itasca County needs to eliminate or address in the next 5 to 10 years for your generation?
4. How has participation in Business, Manufacturing, and/or Construction classes at your local high school prepared you for your future?

Essays to be submitted as follows:

Email to Itasca Economic Development Corporation
Contact: Rob Sjostrand – Director of Business Development
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DUE DATE: Wednesday, October 13th, 2021 by 4:00 pm.