Hamilton Relay Scholarship Application 2026-2027

- **Deadline is March 31, 2027.**
- **The scholarship will be awarded to a *graduating high school senior* who is deaf, hard of hearing, DeafBlind or has difficulty speaking.**
- **Applicant must complete this application in its entirety and include:**
  - **Response to Essay Question**
  - **Letter of Recommendation**
- **Applicant and/or a parent or guardian, if under the age of 18, must read and sign the enclosed talent release form and submit with application.**

Applicant Information:

Name (First, Middle, Last): _____

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YY): _____

Gender Identity: _____

Pronouns (ex. she/her, he/him, they/them): _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Student Email: _____

Telephone (Voice/TTY/Internet Relay/Video Relay/Captioned Telephone):

_____

Parent/Guardian Name(s):

_____

Parent/Guardian Contact Information:

_____

High School Name/Graduation Date:

_____

High School Counselor's Name: _____

High School Counselor's Email: _____

High School Telephone Number: _____ Current GPA: _____

High School Address: _____

How did you hear about the Hamilton Relay Scholarship?

_____

The $1,000 scholarship is intended for a graduating senior who is deaf, hard of hearing, DeafBlind or has difficulty speaking.

I am/have: ☐ Deaf ☐ Hard of Hearing ☐ DeafBlind ☐ Speech Difficulty

List clubs, sports, organizations, community service and activities that you have been involved in during your high school years:

_____

_____

Work Experience:

_____

_____

Please list the school you plan to attend in the Summer or Fall of 2027. If you have not chosen a school, please list the schools you have applied to/been accepted for admission:

_____

_____

Please list your potential field of study:

_____

Essay: Please write a short, one page essay in answer to the question below:

Imagine a brand-new invention, service or concept that could transform how students connect, communicate or access resources in school. What would your idea look like, and how might it shape your own experience?

Please read before submitting your scholarship application:
By submitting this application, I certify that the information contained therein is correct to the best of my ability and understand that false information or omission of data may result in denial of my application. I will provide all materials to the Hamilton Relay scholarship committee to be postmarked by March 31, 2027. If chosen for the Hamilton Relay $1,000 Scholarship award, I agree to complete the Scholarship Recipient's Agreement Form and return it to Hamilton Relay. I understand that if I do not comply with this requirement, my scholarship funds will be awarded to the selected alternate.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

For minors (students under the age of 18):

Parent Signature _____ Date: _____

☐ **I have included a letter of recommendation from a faculty/ staff member at my high school or from a current or past employer.**

☐ **I have included the application form with a one-page essay.**

☐ **I have included the signed Talent Release Form.**

Please return the required materials collectively by mail on or before March 31, 2027 (application must be postmarked by this date) to:

Hamilton Relay Scholarship Committee
1006 12th Street
Aurora, NE 68818

Marketing Release and Assignment Form

I, _____, having received sufficient consideration, grant Hamilton Relay, Inc. d/b/a Hamilton Telecommunications, a Nebraska corporation, and its affiliates ("**Hamilton**"), permission to use my biographical information, image, and voice, including any statements, or opinions (hereinafter collectively referred to as my "Likeness") in audio recordings, video recordings, and/or photographs containing me (the "Content") for purposes related to Hamilton's business without further consent, and without payment or any other consideration, and understand as follows:

1. I understand that any Content created under this release will be the sole property of Hamilton.
2. Hamilton may use my Likeness with or without my name, in whole or in part, that is contained in the Content and to describe, promote, or identify the Content, and I waive the right to inspect Hamilton's use of the Content and my Likeness.
3. I understand that this assignment cannot be revoked and that there is no time limit or geographic limitation on the validity of this release.
4. I represent and warrant that the use of my Likeness does not infringe upon any third party's rights, including without limitation intellectual property rights, do not libel or slander any third party, and are not the subject of any litigation or any claims or disputes which may give rise to litigation.
5. I hereby release and discharge and will not make any claim against Hamilton for compensation or any liability arising out of the use of the Content and my Likeness.
6. I have the authority to grant the rights herein granted, and no consent of another party is necessary for Hamilton to exercise the rights granted in this Release.
7. I acknowledge that Hamilton is not required or obligated to use my Content and Likeness or to attribute any use to me.

I have read and I fully understand this Release. I hereby affirm that I am at least the age of majority in my state of residence and competent to contract in my own name, or if I am under the age of majority, a parent or guardian has also signed below.

_____ _____
(Signature) (Date)

_____ _____
(Printed Name) (Phone)

_____
(Address)

I hereby certify that I am the parent or guardian of _____, named above, and do hereby give my consent to the Release and Assignment Form on behalf of this person.

_____ _____
(Signature) (Date)

_____ _____
(Printed Name) (Phone)

_____
(Address)

Marketing Release and Assignment Form

I, _____, having received sufficient consideration, grant Hamilton Relay, Inc. d/b/a Hamilton Telecommunications, a Nebraska corporation, and its affiliates ("**Hamilton**"), permission to use my biographical information, image, and voice, including any statements, or opinions (hereinafter collectively referred to as my "Likeness") in audio recordings, video recordings, and/or photographs containing me (the "Content") for purposes related to Hamilton's business without further consent, and without payment or any other consideration, and understand as follows:

1. I understand that any Content created under this release will be the sole property of Hamilton.
2. Hamilton may use my Likeness with or without my name, in whole or in part, that is contained in the Content and to describe, promote, or identify the Content, and I waive the right to inspect Hamilton's use of the Content and my Likeness.
3. I understand that this assignment cannot be revoked and that there is no time limit or geographic limitation on the validity of this release.
4. I represent and warrant that the use of my Likeness does not infringe upon any third party's rights, including without limitation intellectual property rights, do not libel or slander any third party, and are not the subject of any litigation or any claims or disputes which may give rise to litigation.
5. I hereby release and discharge and will not make any claim against Hamilton for compensation or any liability arising out of the use of the Content and my Likeness.
6. I have the authority to grant the rights herein granted, and no consent of another party is necessary for Hamilton to exercise the rights granted in this Release.
7. I acknowledge that Hamilton is not required or obligated to use my Content and Likeness or to attribute any use to me.

I have read and I fully understand this Release. I hereby affirm that I am at least the age of majority in my state of residence and competent to contract in my own name, or if I am under the age of majority, a parent or guardian has also signed below.

_____ _____
(Signature) (Date)

_____ _____
(Printed Name) (Phone)

_____
(Address)

I hereby certify that I am the parent or guardian of _____, named above, and do hereby give my consent to the Release and Assignment Form on behalf of this person.

_____ _____
(Signature) (Date)

_____ _____
(Printed Name) (Phone)

_____
(Address)