

Giving Back Scholarship Application

The Giving Back Scholarship is awarded each year to one or more students in the graduating class at BHS who complete and submit this application in a neat and timely manner and who have demonstrated that they have a sincere interest in helping others to have higher quality lives.

The amount of funds available each year for this scholarship is determined by the amount donated to BEF by the previous year's Senior Class at BHS. BEF matches and rounds up the amount donated to make one or more scholarships available for applicants in the following year's graduating class. The total amount awarded in any single year is at the discretion of the BEF Board of Directors.

The Giving Back Scholarship is designed to provide recognition of a student's good character in addition to financial assistance. BEF does not request detailed personal or family financial information in the application for the Giving Back Scholarship, but we do appreciate truthful general comments regarding your financial situation. All such information provided to us will be held confidential.

To apply for the Giving Back Scholarship, please provide the items listed below either in hard copy or digital format to your counselor at Bayfield High School or by email to bayfieldlearns@gmail.com. The following items must be received by your counselor or BEF by April 10 in the year of your high school graduation in order for us to consider your application:

- 1) This application page with the Personal Information section below filled out.
- 2) Additional pages with your responses to the Response Questions listed on the second page of this form. We prefer typed responses, but your responses can be handwritten if your handwriting is legible. Please use APA guidelines.
- 3) Two letters of recommendation including at least one from a teacher at BHS.
- 4) A copy of your BHS academic transcript, signed by a school counselor.

APPLICANT'S PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full Name _____

Home Address _____

Applicant's Phone Number _____

Applicant's Email Address _____

Parent/Legal Guardian's Name _____

Parent/Legal Guardian's Phone Number _____

What degree program or area of study do you plan to pursue after high school?

School(s) you plan to apply to or have applied to _____

How do you plan to pay the costs of post-secondary studies?

RESPONSE QUESTIONS: Responses should be truthful and at least one paragraph in length with sufficient detail provided to make a compelling case for awarding a scholarship. Structure, neatness, content, spelling, and grammar will be considered. You must respond to 3 of the following 4 questions.

- 1) What does Giving Back mean to you?
- 2) What have you personally done or participated in to help others?
- 3) What kind of education and career are you interested in pursuing and why?
- 4) Describe a memorable experience involving the concept of helping someone, particularly someone outside your immediate family. How has that influenced who you are and what you want to do with your life?

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Two letters of recommendation are requested as part of your application. One letter must be from a teacher and the other should be from a person outside of your immediate family who knows you personally. Each letter should explain how the writer knows you, how long they have known you, and some details regarding what they know of your skills and interest in post-secondary education.

Letters may be attached to your application or provided separately. However, we must receive them by April 10 in the spring of your graduation year. These can be emailed to bayfieldlearns@gmail.com.

ACADEMIC TRANSCRIPT

Your BHS counselor should be able to help you to obtain a transcript of your high school record. Please ask the counselor to sign their name at the top or bottom of the page.

SCHOLARSHIP DECISIONS

All components of your application must be provided to us by April 10 in the year of your high school graduation in order to be considered. A small committee will review your application along with others received and determine if a scholarship can be provided. If you are to receive a scholarship, we will let you know by phone or email and provide other information about how and when the funds can be distributed.