

# **BEF Scholarship Application**

The BEF Scholarship is awarded each year to one or more students in the graduating class who complete and submit this application in a neat and timely manner and who demonstrate that they have a sincere interest in pursuing post-secondary education, that they understand the value of the degree or other credential they plan to pursue, and that they have need of financial assistance.

BEF does not request detailed personal or family financial information, but we do appreciate truthful general comments regarding any contributions your family can make, savings you have, and jobs you might take on. All such information provided to us will be held confidential.

To apply for the BEF Scholarship, please provide the items listed below either in hard copy to your counselor at Bayfield High School or by email to <a href="mailto:bayfieldlearns@gmail.com">bayfieldlearns@gmail.com</a>. This application page with the Personal Information section below filled out

- 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.
- 2) Two letters of recommendation including at least one from a teacher at BHS.
- 3) A copy of your BHS academic transcript, signed by a school counselor.

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RESPONSE QUESTIONS: Responses should be truthful and at least one paragraph per question with sufficient detail provided to make a compelling case for awarding a acholarship. Structure, neatness, content, spelling, and grammar will be considered. You must respond to questions 1 and 3; question 3 is optional.

- 1) What is your goal with regard to post-secondary education? Where do you want to be in 5 years?
- 2) Describe a memorable educational experience. How has that influenced who you are and what you want to do with your life?

#### **OPTIONAL:**

3) What other factors, financial or otherwise, should be taken into consideration by the committee reviewing this application?

#### 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, mailed to BEF, P.O. Box 1658, Bayfield, CO 81122, or sent by email to <a href="mailto-bayfieldlearns@gmail.com">bayfieldlearns@gmail.com</a>.

### 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.