

Idaho School Boards Association Scholarship Trust Program

Scholarship Application

1 GUIDELINES:

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of these scholarships is to encourage and promote the attainment of higher education and/or trade or technical school goals for students who have demonstrated a high level of academic achievement and citizenship during high school.

2. ELIGIBILITY

- Children and grandchildren of Idaho public schools trustees or of charter school governing board members, past or present, are eligible to apply for these scholarships.
- The parent or grandparent (not great- grandparent) must be an active board member or must have previously served three years or longer.
- Applicants for the 2020 Scholarship Program must be a senior who is graduating (or plans to graduate) from an Idaho public high school prior to September 1, 2020. The student should be planning to enroll in a postsecondary educational institution, including technical/trade school.

3. SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Representatives of the ISBA Executive Board and ISBA Past Presidents serve on the Scholarship Selection Committee. The current ISBA Vice-President chairs the committee each year.

4. SELECTION OF RECIPIENTS

Scholarship recipients will be selected on the following basis:

- Academic Achievement
- Citizenship
- Leadership
- Extra-Curricular Activities
- Goals Essay
- Recommendation letters

5. SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

The number of scholarships awarded per year is determined by the availability of funds and may vary from year to year. The cash awards may be between \$250 and \$500.

6. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

To be considered for a 2019 Scholarship, the student application materials **MUST BE RECEIVED** at Idaho School Boards Association Scholarship Trust, P.O. Box 9797, Boise, ID 83707-4797, with a postmark on or before February 15, 2020. Applicants will not be considered unless applications are filled out completely and accompanied by all supporting materials. The Scholarship Committee will keep all the information confidential.

To complete this application form electronically, please save to your computer and provide the information requested in Adobe Acrobat or another program capable of editing pdfs. Remember to save again. Signatures in Step 4 must be original. Please mail the application form with the other requested items.

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3 PLEASE INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IN YOUR SUBMISSION:

1. **Transcript (30 points).** Official Idaho public high school transcript showing your fall semester or first trimester of your senior year, cumulative GPA, and verification of SAT/ACT test scores.

2. **Two recommendation letters (10 points).** Letters must show how you exemplify public education achievement. One must be from a teacher or administrator from your high school. None of the recommendations may be from relatives.

3. **Goals Essay (50 points).** Maximum 750 words. Please include the following information in your essay:
 - Describe what your goals are, and how your public education will help you to achieve them.
 - Information on the following activities:
 - o **Citizenship:** how you've worked towards the betterment of your community through service, volunteer work, and other such efforts.
 - o **Leadership:** Provide a record of your leadership activities and how you assume leadership positions within those organizations.
 - o **Extra-Curricular Activities:** Provide a record of participation in activities such as school or club athletics, fine and performing arts, debate, student government, student publications, music, and community activities, for example.
 - o If you have not participated in any of the above activities, please indicate why not, (for instance, lack of available activities at your school or in your community, personal reasons, financial hardship, etc.).
 - Your interest in receiving the scholarship.
 - Also, if you are interested in a memorial scholarship, indicate why you feel you should be considered.

4. **Resume (10 points).** Resume must include, but is not limited to: work history, academic achievement, awards, student leadership, student activities, community service, and extra-curricular activities.

4 CERTIFICATION:

Applicant Name

Applicant Signature

Date

Parent Name

Parent Signature

Date

Principal/Counselor Name

Principal/Counselor Signature

Date