

OMAHA BENSON HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

Completed applications are due in the Counseling Center by last Friday in January.

- 1) These awards are identified as Omaha Benson High School Alumni Association Scholarships.
- 2) As many as six \$1,500 scholarships will be awarded to students pursuing study at an accredited university, college (2 or 4 year), or trade school.
- 3) Scholarships shall be awarded without regard to race, creed, sex or national or ethnic origin provided students meet the following criteria:
 - a) The student shall be academically in the upper half of the class.
 - b) The student shall have participated in school and community activities while attending high school.
 - c) The student must use the scholarship in the first full school year following graduation from Benson High School.
 - d) The student must not have received any full-tuition scholarship. If you receive a full-tuition scholarship, you are ineligible for the BHS Alumni Association scholarship.
 - e) The student must request one reference form from an Omaha Benson High School Faculty Member. (The Alumni and Benson High Scholarship Applications use the same reference for both.)
 - f) Completed applications should be submitted to the Counseling Center by the last Friday in January.
- 4) The scholarship program is funded from the revenues and activities of the Omaha Benson High School Alumni Association.
- 5) Upon proof of enrollment, funds will be disbursed directly to the institution the student has selected to attend. Students receiving scholarships must submit proof of enrollment to the Alumni Association Treasurer, **Mrs. Karen Gardner**, gardnerkaren@cox.net, no later than the first Tuesday after Labor Day. Awards are issued through the Omaha Benson High School Alumni Association.
- 6) The Omaha Benson High School Alumni Association shall make the selections of the scholarship recipients. The names of students selected shall be transmitted to the Omaha Benson High School Counseling Director.

NOTE: IF ANY SECTIONS, INFORMATION OR SIGNATURES ARE NOT INCLUDED, THE APPLICATION IS CONSIDERED INELIGIBLE FOR A SCHOLARSHIP! BEFORE A STUDENT TURNS IN THIS APPLICATION, MAKE SURE IT IS COMPLETE. SIGNATURES MUST BE SIGNED IN PEN.

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Last Name _____ First Name _____ Middle _____

Address: _____
 Street City, State Zip

Home Phone Number: _____ Cell: _____

E-mail: _____ (please write legibly)

Weighted Cumulative Average: _____

Class Rank: _____

- You must rank in the upper half of your class.
- Verification of upper half of class -- Counselor Signature Required
(Counselor signature will be attained after you submit your application to Guidance)

Parents' /Guardians' Names and Occupations:

The number of years you have attended Omaha Benson High School: _____ years

Name of the accredited university, college or trade school that you plan to attend:

Have you applied yet? _____ Have you been accepted? _____
What, if any, scholarships have you received from this institution?

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ACTIVITY RESUMÉ: (Type or attach a list of your activities for parts A, B, and C.)

A) SCHOOL RELATED EXPERIENCES

List school clubs, school activities and athletics in which you have participated. Indicate the years participated and the title of any leadership positions held as well as any awards/honors received. See examples below.

Club/Activity	Leadership Positions / Awards/Honors	Years Participated
Thrive	Committee Chair	2014-15, 2015-16
Key Club	President	2016-17

B) PERSONAL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

List community activities in which you have participated as well as hobbies you actively pursue. Do not duplicate any activities previously described. Examples might be: volunteering in community related activities, participating in scouting, church, or other youth groups, painting, skating, music, drawing or collecting.

C) WORK EXPERIENCE:

List part-time work experiences and summer employment that you have held. Specify hours worked and duration of jobs. Also, list any volunteer work that you have not previously mentioned. Include an explanation of duties and responsibilities if not self-explanatory.

ESSAY SECTION: (Type using 12 pt. font.)

ESSAY 1:

- State the program of study or career that you plan to pursue in college/university next year.
- Briefly describe why attending a university, college or trade school upon graduation from high school is important to you.

ESSAY 2:

- How do you feel Benson High School prepared you for post-secondary education?
- How will you carry on the rich traditions of Benson High School after graduation?

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ONE BENSON FACULTY REFERENCE FORM:

(Additional forms are available in the Counseling Center.)

Ask one Benson Teacher to complete a BHS Reference form and have them return the form directly to the Counseling Office by **the last Friday in January**. Counseling will match up the reference form with your application. Give faculty plenty of time to complete the form prior to the deadline. It is your responsibility to make sure the reference form is on file, so follow-up with your teacher prior to the deadline. You may use the same reference form for the BHS scholarship and the Alumni Scholarship application. Counseling will make copies of your reference form and attach it to your applications.

Name the Benson High Faculty member who has agreed to complete your Reference:

Teacher's name

Course(s) you took with him/her

I, _____, CERTIFY THAT MY RESPONSES ON THIS APPLICATION ARE TRUE AND FACTUAL AND THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE CRITERIA FOR ACCEPTING THIS SCHOLARSHIP.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

DATE

SIGNATURE OF PARENT (S) / GUARDIAN:

PARENT (S) / GUARDIAN ADDRESS IF DIFFERENT FROM APPLICANT
