

Educational Opportunity Foundation of the Black Forest (EOF)

Application for Academic or Vocational EOF Scholarship

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the EOF thank you for applying for a scholarship. Below you will find a list of criteria that must be met in order for your application to be considered.

An informational Open House to answer questions and facilitate your application will be held at Black Forest Pies and Grinders on January 16th, 2017 from 6pm until 8pm.

Section 1: Application

1. Scholarships will be awarded for both vocational and academic pursuits.
2. Candidates must be a high school senior or equivalent.
3. The EOF Board of Directors will consider the following criteria for the selection of scholarship recipients:
 - a. Financial need
 - b. Student character
 - c. Community involvement and extra-curricular activities
 - d. Student goals
 - e. Academic performance
4. Applicants must reside in Black Forest as determined by the following boundary lines (reference the EOF website):
 - a. The north boundary is County Line Road of El Paso County and Douglas County.
 - b. The west boundary begins at the intersection of the north boundary and Highway 83. It continues south through the intersection of Powers Boulevard and Highway 83 southward to the intersection of Powers to Old Ranch Road.
 - c. The southern boundary continuing eastward along Old Ranch Road to Black Forest Road (including the line through private property where Old Ranch Road is interrupted). It curves southward to follow Black Forest Road to Woodman Road. The line continues east on Woodman to Meridian Road.
 - d. The eastern boundary is Meridian Road northward to County Line Road.
 - e. The area includes all of the 80908 zip code and sections of the 80106 zip code. Please check the map on our website to confirm.
5. The following forms must be complete and **received** (postmarked) by March 1st 2017.
 - a. A complete and signed application. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
 - b. A 2"x 3" head and shoulders photograph of the applicant.
 - c. Two letters of recommendation, one of which **MUST** be from a mentor or supervisor who can attest to your volunteer/extra-curricular activities.
 - d. An official high school transcript or your GED certificate.

- e. Your ACT or SAT scores (these may be included with your transcript).
- f. Your essay (academic scholarship application) or your essay/project (vocational application)
- g. A release for photographs of the applicants to be used for promotional purposes.

Application packages can be submitted online or mailed (postmarked NLT March 1st, 2017) to the Educational Opportunity Foundation P.O. Box 88169 Colorado Springs, CO 80908.

Section 2: Student Requirements

1. Awardees are ***required*** to attend the Scholarship Awards Banquet on April 20st, 2017.
 - a. Failure to *RSVP on time will result in forfeiture of the scholarship, (See important dates below).*
2. Each applicant is expected to attend an interview session on either March 14th or March 21st, 2016. The interview time and date will be coordinated between you and the board secretary. We try to be flexible on the times of these interviews, but the applicants should make themselves available for this part of the process. Business attire is recommended.
3. Scholarship recipients must be enrolled in an educational/vocational institution by October 1st, 2017.
4. Scholarship funds must be requested October 31st, 2017. Funds will be sent directly to the school (Trade/vocational school or college/university) to be used for tuition, fees or books.
5. Scholarships not claimed by the deadline will be awarded to the first runner-up.
6. Review the EOF website for important dates and deadlines.

Application

Intent

I agree to be enrolled in an educational/vocational institution by October 1st, 2017.

Print name: _____

Student signature: _____

Date: _____

I am seeking a(n) academic _____/vocational _____ scholarship

Personal Information

Name _____ Date of birth _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

How many years have you lived in the Black Forest? _____

Home phone _____ Cell _____

Applicant's e-mail address _____

Parent's e-mail address _____

Father's occupation _____

Mother's occupation _____

Number of siblings _____ Any siblings currently in college or trade school? _____

Family Income: less than \$75,000/year _____ / greater than \$75,000/year _____

Are you currently employed? _____ Position _____

Applicant's interests or volunteer contributions in our community _____

Academic Information

High school (if other specify) _____ Graduation year _____

ACT or SAT score _____

Honors: (academic or service-related) _____

Where do you intend to further your education? _____

Have you been accepted at this time? _____

Are you enrolled at this time? _____

Have you been awarded any other financial assistance? _____

If so, what kind? _____

Have you applied for any other financial assistance? _____ If yes, where? _____

Additional information you would like the board to consider: _____

Essay/Project

Academic applicants will provide a 500-word essay titled, “My Career Goal.” Diagrams and photos may be included. The essay should be typed in 12-point font and double-spaced. If submitting your application package via mail, please print your essay on white paper (no hand written essays).

Vocational applicants will provide either an essay, as described above, or a project that demonstrates your ability in an applicable vocational field. For example, your project could include an art portfolio, photographs of your products, industrial designs, or pictures of a building project. You are encouraged to bring examples of your work to your interview.

Letters of Recommendation

Letters of Recommendation will be accepted in any standard format.

Parent Release Form for Media

I, the undersigned, do hereby grant permission to Black Forest Educational Opportunity Foundation (BFE OF) to use the image of my child, _____. Such use can potentially include the display, distribution, publication, transmission, or otherwise use of photographs, images taken of my child for use in materials that include, but may not be limited to, printed materials such as brochures and newsletters, videos, and digital images such as those on the BFE OF Web site (www.blackforesteof.com), or publications such as local newspapers.

I give unrestricted permission for my child's image to be used in print, video, and digital media. I agree that these images may be used by BFE OF for a variety of purposes and that these images may be used without further notifying me. I do understand that my child's first and last name or other personal information may be used in conjunction with any photo or digital images.

Parent/guardian printed name _____

Parent/guardian signature _____ Date _____

Please make a copy of this form for your own records.