

# 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.

### 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 especially in the Black Forest community
  - 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** by March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.
  - 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 postmarked no later than March 1st, 2021 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 22th, 2021.
  - 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 in mid March. Exact date will be announced. 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 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.
4. Scholarship funds must be requested October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021. 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 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

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 \_\_\_\_\_

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### Academic Information

High school (if other specify) \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation year \_\_\_\_\_

ACT or SAT score \_\_\_\_\_

Honors: (academic or service-related) \_\_\_\_\_

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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? \_\_\_\_\_

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Additional information you would like the board to consider: \_\_\_\_\_

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**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 (BFEOF) 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 BFEOF 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 BFEOF 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.