

2010

BILLIARD EDUCATION FOUNDATION
ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Deadline: April 1, 2010

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ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

APPLICANT INFORMATION

The Billiard Education Foundation (BEF) Academic Scholarship Program is an annual program administered by the BEF Scholarship Committee, under the direction and guidance of the BEF Board of Trustees. The objective is to grant scholarships to high school seniors who have benefited from the sport of billiards and are entering their first year of college.

Awards are offered in two categories: a single BEF "Excellence in Education" scholarship (\$5,000 awarded over a two-year term) and multiple BEF "Aiming for Higher Education" scholarships (7x \$1,000 awarded over one term). Each single applicant will be considered in *both* categories; only *one* completed application is required. The BEF reserves the right to make changes to these published policies and criteria at any time.

SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

1. A minimum 3.0 cumulative grade point average (GPA) or higher, on a 4.0 scale, is required.
NOTE: If your school does not assign a GPA, it is your responsibility to have an authorized registrar compute and verify what your GPA would be based on your current grades.
2. Must certify *either*:
ACT score of 23 or higher – *OR* – SAT combined score (critical reading + math) of 1050 or higher.
3. Must complete an essay of 500 words minimum (1,000 words maximum, see below)
4. Must be accepted to an accredited (by an agency recognized by the US Department of Education) undergraduate academic program by June 1, 2010.
5. Must attend an accredited undergraduate institution and carry at least 12 hours per semester. *If an award is given, all payments are made directly to the college or university and must be claimed by your 23rd birthday.*

ESSAY CRITERIA (500 word minimum – 1,000 word maximum)

Only ONE 500-1000 word essay is required, and will be used to consider applicants for both the "Excellence in Education" and "Aiming for Higher Education" scholarship awards. Essays must address this topic:

"Billiards touches the social, physical and mental needs of today's youth and allows students to apply new knowledge to life's challenges. The sport has the ability to raise one's self-esteem and social skills as well as enhance the development of movement skills. Please expand on how billiards has touched your life."

COMPLETED APPLICATIONS MUST CONTAIN

1. Completed BEF Academic Scholarship Application Form
2. A letter of application outlining academic achievements, leadership and/or community service work. A description of the applicant's background and career objectives is also required. This letter should include the applicant's personal and professional (academic) goals, chosen discipline of study, and how this scholarship would be of assistance.
3. Essay: How billiards has been an integral part of your life.
4. Official High School Transcript
5. SAT or ACT scores (copy of report)
6. Head shot photograph (2" x 3" minimum; 5" x 7" maximum)

SUBMISSIONS & REVIEW

1. Application materials must not be folded; please mail in a standard 9"x12" envelope.
2. Please include your name on all pages and photo.
3. All scholarship applications **must be POSTMARKED** no later than **April 1, 2010**.
4. You may request confirmation of receipt of your application by sending an e-mail to info@BilliardEducation.org. Please include "Scholarship Confirmation Request" in the subject heading.

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PERSONAL INFORMATION

_____ Gender: M | F
First Name Middle Last Name

_____ City / State / Zip
Home Address

_____ Cell Phone Number
Home Phone Number

_____ E-Mail: _____
Birth date: _____ Age: _____

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

_____ High School (name)

_____ Address: _____ Phone: _____

_____ Date entered: _____ State *Cumulative* Grade Point Average (GPA): _____

_____ Years Attended (#): _____ Did you make the honor roll last year: Yes ___ No ___

_____ Graduation Date: _____ ACT or SAT combined (critical reading + math) score: _____

College Information

List the institution(s) to which you have applied for admission and indicate whether or not you have been accepted.

_____ Accepted? Yes ___ No ___ Not yet ___

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_____ Anticipated Degree: _____ Anticipated credit hours (per semester): _____

Other Scholarships: Have you received any other scholarship awards? Yes ___ No ___ Not yet ___

If yes, list the scholarship(s) and their value:

How did you hear about the BEF Scholarship opportunity? _____

Publication Release: By submitting this application to the Billiard Education Foundation (BEF) Academic Scholarship Program, I hereby grant the BEF exclusive ownership of my essay and/or other personal information contained therein. The BEF shall have the right, and may permit others as it sees fit, to dispense, reproduce and otherwise use my name, essay, likeness, biography, photograph and other pictures in connection with the promotion of my abilities as a scholarship winner or in connection with the advertisement and promotion of the sport of billiards.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____
(required if applicant is under the age of 18)