

**Montana State Firemen's Association Benevolent Fund
2011 Scholarship Application**

Name: _____
Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____ Phone: _____
Email: _____

Your relationship to a current or former member:

Enclose a letter from a local's principal officer or chief officer of the department stating your relationship to that member.

Academic History

High School/Colleges: _____

a) GPA: _____

b) Class Rank: _____ out of _____

c) Please enclose a transcript. If senior year grades are not on the transcript, please attach a copy of your most recent class schedule and grades; i.e. 1st Semester Senior Year or 1st Quarter Senior Year Report Card.

d) If employed during school, please indicate so with letter from employer.

e) What activities (including employment), sports or clubs have you been involved in during school? Be specific on the year, the type and the time commitment of the activity. You may attach a detailed sheet.

Essay

Please provide an essay titled, "Describe a long range goal that you have and the challenges associated with achieving your goal". Essays will be graded on originality, grammar, spelling, punctuation and your ability to express yourself. Essays must be provided in APA format and no more than two pages in length.

Future Plans

Where are you planning to attend school next year? _____

What are you planning to study? _____

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Letters of Recommendations

Attach **three** letters of reference, **one each** from the following sources:

Each letter is to consider character, ability and citizenship

- a) School (guidance counselor, faculty or staff member)
- b) Organizational Leader (Youth group coordinator, coach, volunteer leader etc...)
- c) Employer or other acquaintance

Attachments

- Completed and signed application
- Activities, sports or club involvement.
- Essay
- Transcripts from all high schools, colleges or universities attended (include senior year schedule and grades)
- Copy of GED or Diploma if early out option exercised.
- Proof of acceptance to a university, community college or trade school
- Letter confirming parent's association with the MSFA or MSCOPFF

Terms of Application

Applicants who submit this form and meet the appropriate requirements agree to the following:

- a) All scholarship winners will be notified in writing.
- b) All applications and writing samples become the property of the MSFA Benevolent Fund.
- c) I verify to the best of my abilities that the information contained in this application is accurate and correct. My parent or guardian has signed this application verifying the accuracy of the information contained herein.
- d) I agree to the terms and conditions of the MSFA Benevolent Fund Scholarship Program. I authorize the MSFA Benevolent Fund to verify all aspects of this application with my high school, college, university or the employer of my parent or guardian.

Signature of Student

Date

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date

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Application Period:

Opens September 1, 2011 - Closes September 30, 2011

Application and attachments must be postmarked no later than September 30, 2011, to be considered. Late applications (those postmarked after September 30, 2011) will not be accepted. It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that the application has been delivered to the MSFA Benevolent Fund office.

Please send completed application and attachments to:

Montana State Firemen's Association Benevolent Fund
Scholarship Program
PO Box 3383
Butte, MT 59701