



MATT & JOANN BUTLER YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Scholarship Program

The Matt & JoAnn Butler Youth Development Scholarship Program recognizes the importance of comprehensive youth development and the value of continued participation in the Scouting program through the Girl Scouts of the USA, Camp Fire USA, and the Boy Scouts of America. The Matt & JoAnn Butler Youth Development Scholarship Committee will annually select recipients to receive \$2,000 scholarships to be used for post high school education.

To ensure that your application is reviewed and processed as quickly and accurately as possible, please read and follow these procedures and requirements as written. **Failure to follow ALL the below listed requirements will result in your application being dismissed from consideration.**

PROCEDURES

The student applying for a scholarship must:

- Complete the application personally.
- **Enclose only the items requested** in the requirements (no biographies, resumes, or supplementary lists of achievements). **Items should not be stapled to the application.**
- **Answer all questions on the application.** ("See attached" is not an acceptable answer.)
- **Enclose no more than eight pages** with the application (i.e., financial statement, recommendation, and high school transcript).
- Include the **applicant's name on each enclosure** in the upper right hand corner.
- **Submit all supplemental information** with the application form to ensure that all items are available for review at the same time. (The Committee cannot assume responsibility for matching items that come in separately.)
- Address complete applications to: **Matt & JoAnn Butler Youth Development Scholarship Committee, Northern Lights Council/BSA, 301 7th Street South, Fargo, ND 58103-1884.**
- Be advised that only those **applications received by 5:00 p.m. on December 9, 2011 will be considered.** Faxes will not be accepted for consideration.
- Be advised that applications become the property of the selections committee and will not be returned to the applicant. By March 1, 2012, the selections committee will inform selected recipients of its decision **in writing.**

REQUIREMENTS

All applicants must:

- Be currently registered with the Northern Lights Council, Boy Scouts of America; Northern Star Camp Fire USA; Dakota Horizons Council, Girl Scouts (Northwest and Northeast Districts only). Submit application no later than 5:00 p.m. on December 9, 2011.
- Be a graduating high school senior entering college, university or post high school technical school in the year the scholarship is awarded. Scholarships are awarded only to those applicants who graduate from high school in the calendar year in which scholarships are presented. A certified diploma indicating graduation must be submitted if selected to receive scholarship.
- Provide a transcript of high school grades covering six semesters only. The transcript need not be "official".
- Submit photocopy of ACT and/or SAT score unless score is included on transcript.
- Have demonstrated leadership ability in your organization and a strong record of participation in activities outside of your organization. Provide a statement by the applicant clearly stating why he believes he/she needs financial aid, signed by the applicant and countersigned by the parent.
- Provide one signed recommendation letter from a volunteer leader who knows the applicant personally. **This is the only endorsement required. Endorsements from teachers, counselors, etc., should not be included.**
- Attach a brief statement of up to 150 words entitled, "What receiving this Youth Development Scholarship would mean to me."

APPLICANT'S INFORMATION Please type/print in black ink.

Name _____
(first / middle / last)

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone (____) _____ Cell Phone (____) _____

Email _____ Date anticipated for High School Graduation _____

Date of Birth _____ Full Name of Parent or Guardian _____
(first / middle / last)

RECORD OF PARTICIPATION

Items should not be added or edited.

I am currently registered in Troop/Team/Crew/Group/Club No. _____ Current Position/Level _____

Full name of Chartered Partner/Sponsor/Council _____

Scoutmaster/Coach/Leader/Advisor/Service Manager/Unit Name _____

Leader's Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Positions of Leadership Held:

National Recognitions Earned:

(Girl Scout Gold Award, Eagle Scout, Wohelo, Order of the Arrow, etc.)

List:

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_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Other Scouting Related Activities You Have Participated In:

Outdoor experiences of five or more days and nights (Please specify.)

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Name of High School/Preparatory School _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Principal's Name _____ Telephone () _____

Your **Anticipated** Graduation Ranking: _____ in your class of _____ students.
(number)

IMPORTANT:

Your combined **SAT Score** _____ and / or composite **ACT Score** _____

Percentile Ranking _____ Your **GPA** _____ (Converted to 4.0 scale.) Weighted? YES NO

In **order of preference**, list post-secondary schools to which you have applied or plan to apply:

School Name (Please note if your decision is final)
(Include post-secondary vocational schools.)

Estimated Cost Per Year
(Include tuition/room/board.)

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

School Activities (Check all activities you have been involved in during school.)

Sports

- Baseball/Softball
- Basketball
- Cross-Country
- Football
- Golf
- Soccer
- Swimming/Diving
- Tennis
- Track
- Volleyball
- Wrestling
- Drill Team
- Cheerleading
- Other (Please specify.)

Clubs and Other Activities

- Band/Orchestra
- BETA
- Choir
- Chess
- Computer
- Debate
- Drama/Theater
- Foreign Language
- History
- International
- Key
- Math
- Science
- Model UN
- National Honor Society
- Student Council/Government
- Tutoring/Peer Counseling
- DECA

- Yearbook/Magazine/Newspaper
- Boys'/Girls' State
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes
- Future Business of America
- Future Farmers of America
- Students Against Drunk Driving
- Other (Please specify.)

Please note any activities or awards you are especially proud of...

Activities Outside of School and Scouting (Check all that apply.)

Church

- Acolyte
- Altar
- Choir
- Deacons Quorum
- Teachers Quorum
- Priests Quorum
- Sports
- Usher
- Youth Group
- Other (Please specify.)

Clubs and Other Activities

- Blood Drives
- Civic (library, park, government, etc.)
- Community Theater
- Exchange Student Program
- Food Drives
- 4-H
- Hospital
- Junior Achievement
- Kiwanis
- Music
- Red Cross
- Rotary
- Salvation Army
- Tutoring
- Other (Please specify.)

Sports

- Baseball/Softball
- Basketball
- Cross-Country
- Football
- Golf
- Martial Arts
- Soccer
- Swimming/Diving
- Wrestling
- Other (Please specify.)

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Financial Need Details

Attach to this application a clear statement of your financial need. This is important and should be much more than “an education costs a lot of money” or “I want to help my parents.” This statement distinguishes your need from that of others and sets you apart. **What is unique about your need?** What have you done to prepare yourself for the financial needs of your college education? Discuss special family situations, e.g., a disability, one-parent family, ill health of parent, parent’s loss of a job, number of siblings, number of siblings in college, etc. Be sure to include your father’s and/or mother’s occupation.

Have you received or do you expect to receive other financial aid grants? If so, please list names and amounts:

_____	_____
_____	_____

List jobs you have held during the past two years:

Employer	Months Employed	Amount Earned
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

On your own, how much money have you saved to assist in your further education? _____

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I hereby authorize the Matt & JoAnn Butler Youth Development Scholarship Selections Committee to request and obtain any additional information it may deem necessary.

All information and statements on this form are true and correct.

_____	_____
Signature of Applicant	Date

I have read the foregoing application and it has my approval.

_____	_____	_____	_____
Signature of Parent (Father)/Guardian	Date	Signature of Parent (Mother)/Guardian	Date

Return to the first page of this application. Reread the “Procedures” and “Requirements” sections. **Check to be sure that you have followed the instructions and that you have enclosed all necessary addenda.** Failure to follow all listed requirements will result in your application being dismissed for consideration.

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Scholarship funds will be held in escrow and sent directly to the financial officer at the school of your choice. When the Escrow Release form is received by the Northern Lights Council, your scholarship funds requiring dual endorsement will be forwarded with a statement to the school’s financial officer indicating that these funds must be used as the recipient directs and may not be used to reduce the financial grants provided by the school.

If selected to receive a scholarship, recipient must attend a presentation ceremony, if requested.

Selection Criteria: Scouting/Camp Fire participation-30%, Scouting/Camp Fire achievement-20%, established need-20%, extra curricular involvement-10%, school involvement-10%, academic standing-10%.