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The Blackhawks Alumni Association (BHAA) distributes college scholarships annually to the three most deserving high school hockey players. Awards are determined from a candidate's level of community service, volunteerism, good citizenship, academic performance as well as the hockey talent of the individual who receives an annual \$5,000.00 scholarship over four years.

In December of each year, scholarship applications are available for download at www.blackhawkalumni.com. Fully completed applications including letter of recommendations, original transcripts, and scholar essays are due no later than February 1st of each year. Once all of the forms are gathered, a selection committee from the Blackhawks Alumni Association (BHAA) will review all of the candidates and then select the three recipients.

Thank you to all of the High School players who took the time to submit applications in the previous year. Thank you also to the coaches, managers and team/league presidents who promote and support this effort. The players really deserve it!

Send Application to:

Attention: BHAA Scholarship Program
P.O. Box 72159
Roselle, Illinois 60172



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CHICAGO BLACKHAWK ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA AND ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

1. The scholarship award is available to both male and female applicants.
2. Applicant must be a member of their High School's hockey team (Varsity or Junior Varsity level)
3. Applicants who play non-high school club hockey at the AAA or AA level are deemed ineligible unless the applicant's high school does not field a varsity level program, in which case they will be deemed eligible.
4. Applicant must be applying and planning to attend college as a full time university student in the school year following the award. For those students who plan to enter college as a freshman at the beginning of the second semester or later, a special exemption must be applied for and approved by the Chicago Blackhawks Alumni Scholarship Committee.
5. Applicant must graduate from high school.

SELECTION CRITERIA

1. Academic Standing, including but not limited to grades, class rank, standardized test scores, and curriculum
2. Community and Volunteer Service
3. Extracurricular Activities
4. Leadership
5. Character
6. Financial Need
7. Personal Essay
8. Coaches Recommendation Letter
9. Other Recommendations (Maximum of 2, not including coaches letter)

BENEFITS AWARDED TO WINNERS

1. 4 year financial award in the amount of \$5,000 per year payable semi-annually in August and January
2. Complimentary membership in the Blackhawks Alumni for the term of your college years
3. Participation in a mentoring program with former Alumni Scholarship winners

MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS

1. Maintaining a 3.0 minimum grade point average over any 2 consecutive quarters, otherwise will be placed on a probationary period at which time renewal of the scholarship will be on an annual (year by year) basis at the discretion of the Alumni Scholarship Committee.
2. Copy of grades to be submitted to Alumni Scholarship committee at the end of each semester.



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Personal information

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NAME: _____ SCHOOL YEAR: _____
ADDRESS LINE 1: _____
ADDRESS LINE 2: _____
CITY: _____ STATE: _____
EMAIL ADDRESS: _____ DOB: _____
HOME TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____ CELL: _____

HIGH SCHOOL: _____
ADDRESS: _____
SCHOOL CONTACT (STUDENT ADVISOR): _____
TELEPHONE AND EMAIL: _____

HOCKEY COACH NAME: _____
TELEPHONE AND EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

TEAM MANAGER NAME: _____
TELEPHONE AND EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

MOTHER'S NAME: _____ FATHER'S NAME: _____
OCCUPATION: _____ OCCUPATION: _____
ANNUAL FAMILY INCOME: _____
(\$100,000.00 answer - above or below)

FINANCIAL AID QUESTIONS:
1. WILL YOU APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID TO ASSIST WITH YOUR COLLEGE EXPENSES?
2. IS SOME SORT OF FINANCIAL AID NECESSARY FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY TO AFFORD
TUITION AT THE COLLEGE OF YOUR CHOICE?

OF SIBLINGS: _____
NAMES AND AGES: _____

HOCKEY INFORMATION: POSITION: _____
TEAMS PLAYED ON IN THE PREVIOUS 4 YEARS: _____

COMMUNITY SERVICE _____

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (IN/OUT OF SCHOOL)
(Excluding Hockey) _____

HS GPA: Junior Year: _____ Senior Year as of Dec 31. _____
Class Rank: _____
SAT Scores: _____
ACT Score: _____

UNIVERSITIES WHERE YOU HAVE APPLIED? DO THEY HAVE A HOCKEY PROGRAM?

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____



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Addendum A: Applicant's Essay BHAA Scholarship Application
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(Please limit your comments to one typed or written page if possible)

APPLICANT'S NAME:

QUESTIONS:

- 1) HOW HAS YOUR EXPERIENCE PLAYING HOCKEY AND YOUR EXPOSURE TO THE SPORT OF HOCKEY ASSISTED IN YOUR DEVELOPMENT AS A STUDENT AND AS A PERSON?
- 2) WHAT OTHER QUALIFICATIONS DO YOU HAVE THAT YOU BELIEVE MAKE YOU ELIGIBLE TO BE AWARDED WITH THE BLACKHAWK ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP?



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***Addendum B: Coach's Recommendation BHAA Scholarship Application
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(Please limit your comments to one typed or written page if possible)

COACH'S NAME

ADDRESS

ADDRESS

TELEPHONE AND EMAIL

APPLICANT'S NAME:

COMMENTS:



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Addendum C: Letter of Recommendation

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(Please limit your comments to one typed or written page if possible)

NAME

ADDRESS

ADDRESS

TELEPHONE AND EMAIL

APPLICANT'S NAME:

COMMENTS:



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Addendum D: Letter of Recommendation

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(Please limit your comments to one typed or written page if possible)

NAME

ADDRESS

ADDRESS

TELEPHONE AND EMAIL

APPLICANT'S NAME:

COMMENTS:



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Instructions to Applicant - BHAA Scholarship Program
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(Please follow these instructions)

- 1) December 1st – Begin “Research” on all information needed for application.
- 2) December 11th – Call and ask your coach and both sponsors to write a letter of recommendation.
- 3) December 12th - Make a copy of this document and hand deliver to coach & both sponsors.
 - a. Make known which addendum that they are writing – place as top page.
 - b. Give them an envelope addressed to :
 - i. Attention: BHAA Scholarship Program
 - ii. Address: P.O. Box 72159 Roselle, Illinois 60172
 - c. Include sufficient postage on the envelope.
- 4) December 20th – Begin your Scholarship personal information form.
 - a. Contact all people and institutions that may hold critical information.
 - b. Leave enough time to get GPA, Rank, SAT, and ACT info from school.
- 5) December 26th – Write your Scholarship Essay – one page – Addendum A
- 6) December 30th - Complete your Scholarship personal information form.
- 7) January 4th – Ask your sponsors to confirm sending letter of recommendation.
- 8) January 15th - Remind Coaches and Recommendation writers to write and send in any outstanding Letters – i.e. Addendum B, C, & D
 - a. February 1st, is the postmarked deadline for your scholarship application Letters – send it priority mail with receipt if it is close to the deadline.
 - b. Send to: Attention BHAA Scholarship Program
 - c. Address: P.O. Box 72159 Roselle, Illinois 60172
- 9) January 22nd – Send in your Application Package – personal information and Addendum A and send along with any Recommendation letters (Addendum B, C, D) – (if they have been given to you – instead of sent directly to BHAA.)
 - a. February 1st, is the postmarked deadline for your scholarship application – send it priority mail with receipt if you are close to the deadline.
 - b. Send to: Attention BHAA Scholarship Program
 - c. Address: P.O. Box 72159 Roselle, Illinois 60172
 - d. Include sufficient postage on envelope – have it weighed at the post office – if unsure.

***** Thank you for your participation *****