



PROMISING FUTURES OF IDAHO

College Aspirations Scholarship Application

Name: _____ Today's Date: _____

Address: _____

Your Town/State/Zip Code: _____

Parent(s) or Guardian's name(s): _____

What school do you attend? _____ What grade are you in? _____

Who is your teacher? _____ How many times have you applied for this scholarship in the past? _____

How many times have you earned a scholarship? _____

Note To the Student Applicant: Congratulations on taking an important step in making your future hopes and dreams possible. Taking the time to complete this application will not guarantee that you automatically earn a scholarship this spring, but it is always worth trying. Scholarships will be awarded to students who demonstrate effort - effort to do well in school, effort to pursue education beyond high school, effort to reach their goals, and effort to complete this scholarship application to the best of their ability. Students who have won a scholarship before are allowed to reapply. Read the instructions carefully.

Written Response Directions: On a separate sheet of paper, write a thoughtful response that is grade appropriate and answers both parts of the questions below. Your response should be typed. Please be sure to put your name, school, and grade in the upper right hand corner of your response. If you applied last year and your aspirations have changed, as they often do, please update your response, particularly the "why" and college information. Or for grades 6, 7, and 8, if you have applied and won a scholarship before, there is an alternative question (see below).

1. What do you enjoy doing today that might make a great career for you in the future? Why do you think it might be a great career for you? (Think academic interests, extracurricular activities, hobbies, family work/chores, community involvement.)

2. Identify one or two colleges (trade or vocational schools, two year or four year colleges/universities) that might help you prepare for your career or future interest. Having researched specific majors and courses at that program or college, **what three (3) courses** would you like to take in pursuit of your career and **briefly why?**

Grades 6, 7, and 8 Alternative Question for Past Scholarship Winners: If you have applied and won an HDCC scholarship in the past and are in middle school, this is an alternative scholarship question for you. From the 241 Great College Majors list (see HDCC poster), choose a major that you know little to nothing about. Write a thoughtful response that includes the following information: (a) What does the major study? (b) What does one typically do in this area of work? (c) What skills would one need to have to be successful in this major? (d) Now that you know more about this major, would you be interested in studying this in college? Why or why not?

Completed Applications: Please note that there are two pages of this application. On page 2 the Aspirations Scholarship Recommendations includes: (a) an effort self-assessment, (b) a parent/guardian comment and signature, and (c) a teacher comment. (Note: Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.) Applications will be reviewed by a scholarship committee from your home town. Scholarship recipients will be announced and celebrated in May. Recipients will receive an award certificate. A \$125 scholarship check will be redeemable (upon request) for opening up an Idaho College Savings account, or for a special program or camp connected with one's aspirations during middle school or high school, or it can be applied at the time of enrollment to an institution of higher education.



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Directions: There are **three parts** to be filled out by the application deadline: first by you, second by your parent/guardian, and lastly by your teacher. **All three sections must be completed for your application to be considered.**

1. To the applicant:

Please assess your level of effort in school and on this application. For example: 1 = Minimal effort; 5 = Adequate effort; 10 = Highest level of effort. Please circle one number in each category.

Effort in school:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Effort on this application:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

2. To the parent, guardian, or adult mentor:

Please add comments in support of your child/student's commitment to their goals below or on a separate sheet of paper. Thank you. Signature _____

3. To the teacher:

Please assess this student's level of effort in school and on this application. 1 = minimal effort; 5 = adequate effort; 10 = highest level of effort. Please circle one number in each category.

Effort in school:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Effort on this application:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Please add comments in support of your student's commitment to their goals, below or on a separate sheet of paper.

Based on his/her effort on this application and in school, I wish to nominate this student to be considered by our school community for a HDCC College Aspirations Scholarship. Teacher's signature: _____

Thank you for all you do to support opportunities in education for your students.