



## Mayor's Scholarship Fund *Lighting the Path*

# 2021 IDAHO FALLS MAYOR'S PROMISE AWARD

### THE PROGRAM

The Mayor's Scholarship Fund was established to provide financial assistance to Idaho Falls area students who plan to pursue a post-high school education. Funds for these scholarships and awards are made possible through generous voluntary contributions from citizens, corporate and business sponsors. The *Promise Award* is for students in Grades 8–11 who agree to maintain a college-bound path. These awards can be used at an accredited post-secondary school or training program within the State of Idaho or for US military education programs. The award may also be applied toward the cost of approved dual credit coursework or college preparation fees while still in high school. Recipient has until two years from high school graduation or equivalent to request funds.

### ELIGIBILITY

There are two ways to qualify for this scholarship: 1) be a resident of Idaho Falls; or 2) attend an Idaho Falls School District 91 or Bonneville School District 93 school

### APPLICATION

To apply, students must submit the following:

- A. A completed application form with parent or guardian signature
- B. A Personal Information form
- C. A Personal Essay form
- D. One signed Letter of Recommendation form

### SELECTION OF RECIPIENTS

Eligible applicants will be blindly evaluated on the basis of information supplied. Emphasis will be placed upon student GPA, school/community involvement, citizenship, and future promise. All applicants will be notified of the results prior to the Scholarship Awards event to be held on March 31, 2021. **Award recipients and their parents or guardians will be guests at the awards ceremony and are expected to attend this and all other scholarship program events.**

### DUE DATE

Applications are available on the Mayor's Scholarship Fund website at [mayorsscholarshipfund.org](http://mayorsscholarshipfund.org). Applications are **due Wednesday February 3, 2021** They may be submitted to a college and career advisor or school counselor no later than the close of school that day.

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## APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS AND CHECKLIST

Dear Student,

Thank you for your interest in the Idaho Falls Mayor's Scholarship Program. We are delighted you are applying, because obtaining an education is essential to being successful and making a difference—in your own life and in the lives of others. We commend you for your determination to continue your education and the academic achievement you have already attained.

Please be thorough in completing this application. You are responsible for making sure all the forms are filled out properly and submitted on time. Use the checklist below to help you complete the application. Remember, your application is due **Wednesday February 3, 2021**.

Mayors' Scholarship Fund Board of Directors

**General Application Instructions:** Please answer each prompt on a separate page and include the prompt at the top of the page. Please type or print and complete in ink. Answer all prompts thoroughly and thoughtfully.

- A school counselor or college adviser has verified my GPA and initialed form.
- All forms are signed as needed by both student and parent or guardian.
- A letter of recommendation from a teacher, counselor, coach, ecclesiastical leader, or other influential adult is attached.
- I have answered each question completely and have not written on the backside of any page.
- I have reviewed my application with a parent, teacher, counselor, or other informed adult.
- I have proofread this application.
- I will submit 2 single-side, stapled copies of this application in order (do not include cover sheet or instructions).

**Incomplete applications will be not be considered.**

# DUE FEBRUARY 3, 2021

*Note: If selected, you will be required to participate in all Mayor's Scholarship Fund Events including the video/photo shoot and the awards event March 31, 2021. You may also be asked to provide proof of your eligibility before claiming your award.*

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## APPLICATION

### GENERAL INFORMATION

*(Please print or type)*

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last First Middle*

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street City State Zip*

Telephone (Primary) \_\_\_\_\_ (Secondary) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Email \_\_\_\_\_

Student Email \_\_\_\_\_ Student Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ GPA \_\_\_\_\_ Counselor Verification/Initials \_\_\_\_\_

- Check all that apply:  I live in Bonneville County.  
 I am a student in School Districts 91 or 93.  
 I am home-schooled.

How did you hear about this Scholarship Program? \_\_\_\_\_

### SIGNATURES

By signing below, I affirm this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. If selected, I agree to participate in all Mayor's Scholarship Fund Events.

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

By signing below, I indicate I have reviewed the information on my child's application and have found it to be correct. I hereby give my consent for my child to be considered for this award.

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### OPTIONAL INFORMATION

*(Check all that apply— for statistical record purposes only)*

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|---------------------------------|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Male   | <input type="checkbox"/> Asian            | <input type="checkbox"/> Native American |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Female | <input type="checkbox"/> African American | <input type="checkbox"/> White/Caucasian |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Latino | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____      |  |

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**FUTURE EDUCATION PLANS**  
*(Recipients of scholarship **must** attend an accredited institution in Idaho or a US military education program)*

Idaho colleges and universities you are considering:

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Fields of study that interest you: \_\_\_\_\_

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### PERSONAL INFORMATION AND EXPERIENCES

PLEASE LIST YOUR LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCES, SCHOOL ACTIVITIES, OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES, WORK EXPERIENCE, COMMUNITY SERVICE, ETC. INCLUDE ANY WAYS YOU CONTRIBUTE TO YOUR SCHOOL, HOME, CHURCH, AND COMMUNITY.

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# **2021 IDAHO FALLS MAYOR'S PROMISE AWARD**

## **PERSONAL ESSAY**

NOW TELL US MORE ABOUT YOU. FOR EXAMPLE: WHAT OBSTACLES HAVE YOU OVERCOME AND HOW HAVE YOUR EXPERIENCES MADE YOU A BETTER LEADER, STUDENT, AND/OR PERSON; WHAT ARE YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS; WHAT MOTIVATES YOU TO DO YOUR BEST; EXPLAIN WHY YOU THINK OTHERS RESPECT YOU; DESCRIBE YOUR PERSONAL, FAMILY AND COMMUNITY EXPERIENCES; ETC.

*(PLEASE INCLUDE THIS PROMPT AT THE TOP OF YOUR ESSAY)*

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## ADULT LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

PLEASE ASSESS THE APPLICANT'S CHARACTER AND STRENGTHS. IF RELEVANT, PLEASE COMMENT ON HOW WELL THE APPLICANT IS PREPARED TO PURSUE HIS/HER POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION PLANS. WE ARE INTERESTED IN THE APPLICANT'S POTENTIAL FOR MAKING POSITIVE CONTRIBUTIONS, INTELLECTUAL PROMISE, MOTIVATION, RELATIVE LEVEL OF MATURITY, LEADERSHIP POTENTIAL, CAPACITY FOR GROWTH, SPECIAL TALENTS, ETC. THIS INFORMATION WILL BE USED TO DIFFERENTIATE THE STUDENT FROM OTHERS APPLYING FOR THIS AWARD. (*PLEASE COMPLETE THE SIGNATURE BOX BELOW AND ATTACH LETTER.*)

<b>Position/Title/Organization</b> _____	<b>Daytime Phone</b> _____
<b>Print Name</b> _____	<b>Relationship to Applicant</b> _____
<b>Signature</b> _____	<b>Date</b> _____