



REDWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

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To: Redwood Seniors

The Redwood Scholarship Fund is delighted that you are interested in applying for our scholarships. Before you fill out the application forms, we strongly encourage you to take the time to read the following information.

Purpose

The purpose of the Redwood Scholarship Fund is to provide financial assistance to qualifying seniors who are continuing their education after graduation from Redwood High School.

Awards

These scholarships are granted on the basis of financial need without regard to race, color, creed or gender. Scholarships currently range from around \$500 to \$5,000. The actual amount of any scholarship award will not be made public; only the names of the winners will be announced. In addition to the general scholarships, the Foundation grants several special awards including: (1) the Nicole Adams Memorial Scholarship, available to any student who participates in a sport at any level, (2) the Sandra Egger Memorial Scholarship, available to students who excel in the visual arts, and (3) the Chelini Award, available to students selected by the Counseling Department who have overcome significant obstacles and demonstrated character and leadership.

Criteria

- Financial need
- Good citizenship
- Perseverance and determination
- Good moral character
- Academic achievement
- Criteria specific to the endowed awards

Applications must be completed by each student applicant personally. The decision of the committee is final. Please be assured that the Redwood Scholarship Committee members who will be reviewing the scholarship application have all signed a confidentiality agreement. Any information you submit will be treated as confidential; however, if you are a scholarship recipient, we reserve the right to release your name and the name of your university/college to the media.

Deadline

The completed application must be submitted to the **Counseling Office, Room 103, no later than 3:30 p.m. Monday, April 19, 2010.** LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

ALL THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED AT THE TIME OF FILING:

Completed Application (pages 3-5)

Essay

*Please type your response to **one** of the options below. Your response should be **no more than two pages.***

ESSAY OPTION 1

- What achievements or contributions have you made to your school, community, or family that demonstrates your determination and perseverance?
- What obstacles did you overcome to achieve your goals?

OR**ESSAY OPTION 2**

- Why are you deserving of this scholarship? Include a paragraph describing your best attributes that post-high-school education will further develop.

Checklist for Teacher Reference (page 6) in a sealed envelope with your name written on the back and the words "Teacher's Checklist" on the front.

Letter of Recommendation from Reference 2 (page 7) in sealed envelope with your name written on the back and the word "Recommendation" on the front.

FAFSA Student Aid Report

Important Notes:

- Plan carefully to meet the application deadline.
- Do not wait until the last minute to fill out the application.
- Incomplete applications or late applications will NOT be accepted.



THE REDWOOD SCHOLARSHIP FUND APPLICATION

The selection committee uses this application to determine who you are, what you want to do after graduation, and why you are deserving of a Redwood Scholarship. Completeness, neatness, and legibility will ensure that your credentials will be reviewed properly.

Please type or print in black ink.

NAME

PHONE

ADDRESS

CITY/ZIP

The information in the application is subject to verification. I understand and agree that if any statement is found to be false or misleading the application is subject to disqualification.

I HAVE WRITTEN THIS APPLICATION. ALL THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS APPLICATION IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

STUDENT'S SIGNATURE

DATE

REFERENCES

As part of your application, you must provide two references who can speak to your character.

- **REDWOOD HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER REFERENCE 1**
Give the teacher the TEACHER REFERENCE CHECKLIST to complete and return

TEACHER NAME

PHONE NUMBER

- **REFERENCE 2** (another teacher, an employer, member of the clergy, coach or another adult)
IMPORTANT: Members of your family or fellow students cannot serve as a reference.

Give this Reference the INSTRUCTIONS for a LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

NAME OF REFERENCE 2

PHONE NUMBER

FAMILY AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION

NAME OF PARENT(S) OR GUARDIAN(S)

ADDRESS (if different from above)

ADDRESS (if different from above)

PHONE

PHONE

Number of persons (including yourself) living at home this year: _____

Besides yourself, how many of your siblings will also be attending college in the 2010-2011 school year? _____

Total financial aid received or already awarded from other sources: \$ _____

Please estimate how you will pay for your college education (percentage should total 100):

_____ %	Parents
_____ %	Your savings
_____ %	Financial aid (scholarships, grants)
_____ %	Loans
_____ %	Work/study
_____ %	Other (please specify: _____)
100 %	TOTAL

SCHOLASTIC INFORMATION

High school total GPA _____ SAT score _____ or ACT score _____

List the colleges or schools to which you have applied and place a check mark in the boxes next to those schools to which you have been accepted.

<input type="checkbox"/> _____	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
<input type="checkbox"/> _____	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
<input type="checkbox"/> _____	<input type="checkbox"/> _____

What school will you attend? _____

What is your intended field of study? _____

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

List major school activities (including sports, leadership, drama, art, clubs, etc.) in which you have participated. Indicate when you participated.

Grade Level (check all that apply)

Activity or Organization	9	10	11	12	Positions Held

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

List major community activities and community services in which you have been actively involved and note any major accomplishments in each. Indicate when you participated.

Grade Level (check all that apply)

Activity or Organization	9	10	11	12	Dates Involved		Approx. hrs/month
					From	To	

WORK EXPERIENCE

List your work experience. Indicate when you worked in the position.

Grade Level (check all that apply)

Organization/Position Held	9	10	11	12	Dates Worked		Approx. hrs/month
					From	To	

SPECIAL RECOGNITION AND AWARDS

List awards you have received both in and out of school

Grade Level (check all that apply)

Name of Recognition or Award- Organization	9	10	11	12	Reason for Recognition or Award



**REDWOOD SCHOLARSHIP FUND
TEACHER REFERENCE
CHECKLIST**

Instructions

*The applicant is required to submit this reference from a **Redwood High School teacher** who is familiar with her/his character. The applicant should not be referred to by name. Please place the completed check list in a sealed envelope with the student's name written clearly on the back and the words "Teacher Reference" on the front. The completed list should be returned to the applicant so that she/he can submit all the required documents together in one package.*

(TO BE COMPLETED BY REDWOOD TEACHERS ONLY)

	Below Average	Average	Good	Excellent	Outstanding	Not Applicable
Good citizenship	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Perseverance and determination	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Good moral character	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Academic achievement	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
What areas does student excel in academically? _____						
Active in sports?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
What sports are you aware of? _____						
Active in the arts?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
In what areas of the arts does the student participate or excel? _____						
	No need		Moderate Need		Great Need	No Knowledge
Financial need	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

We welcome any additional comments you think might be helpful to us.

TEACHER'S NAME (please print)

TEACHER'S SIGNATURE

DATE



REDWOOD SCHOLARSHIP FUND LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

Instructions

The applicant is required to submit a reference in the form of a Letter of Recommendation from from an adult who is familiar with her or his character. The applicant should NOT be referred to by name in this letter. Please place the completed letter in a sealed envelope with the student's name written clearly on the back and the words "Letter of Recommendation" on the front. The letter of recommendation should be returned to the applicant so that she/he can submit all the required documents together in one package.

In your typed letter, please cite specific examples which demonstrate the criteria listed below and add any other items that may be of interest to the scholarship committee.

- What makes this student most deserving of this scholarship?
- Please address qualities the student demonstrates in meeting the following criteria: financial need, good citizenship, perseverance and determination, good moral character, and academic achievement.

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All awards are made possible through generous donations to the Redwood High School Foundation from the family, friends and alum of Redwood High School.