

Braden River High School Athletic Booster Club Scholarship Program 2014/2015



Braden River High School Athletic Booster Club Mission Statement

The Braden River High School Athletic Boosters' Club is a charitable, non-profit organization made up of an action-oriented group of parents, volunteers and administrators. Through dedication and teamwork we support the enhancement of the athletic experience of Braden River High athletes, their teams, and their fans through the promotion of athletics, school spirit, successful student-athletes, and community awareness of their athletic & academic achievements. The mission of BRHS is to empower students to be strong, responsible leaders who value personal integrity, academic excellence, and civic involvement.

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The Braden River High School Athletic Booster Club will be providing athletic scholarships to at least one senior male and one senior female athlete each school year.

These scholarships are one time grants, designated to assist student athletes pursuing further education. The scholarships are intended to recognize outstanding graduating athletes of Braden River High School. Applicants will be evaluated on the basis of their athletic success, dedication, sportsmanship, and leadership, as well as academic achievement and character. To be considered for a scholarship, student athletes must meet the following criteria:

- **Athletic Participation** – Applicant must be a 12th grade student in good standing at Braden River High School who has participated on at least one varsity athletic team during the student's last two years of attending BRHS.
- **Booster Club Membership** – The student's parent/guardian must be a current member of the Braden River High School Athletic Booster Club. Parental/Legal Guardian membership as of December 31st of the academic application year is a prerequisite to the student receiving a scholarship.
- **Academic Achievement** – The student athlete must have a minimum cumulative un-weighted high school grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- **Post-Secondary Education** – The applicant must be accepted by a post-secondary institution. Post-secondary institutions include, but are not limited to, colleges, universities, and technical and vocational schools.
- **Letters of Recommendation** – Applicants must submit three recommendations attached to the application. One from a coach, one from a teacher, counselor, or administrator, and one from someone within the community not affiliated with BRHS. Those completing the letters of recommendations must place the letters in a sealed envelope and sign the envelope prior to giving the letters to the applicant. One copy of the recommendation letter is included with this application packet. *Please make additional copies as required.*
- **Application Form** – Students must complete and submit, by the posted deadline, the application with all prescribed forms and the three sealed recommendation letters.
- **Essay** – All applicants must submit a typed essay of no more than 1,000 words. The topic of this essay is included in the application packet. The essays will be judged on content, grammar, and organizational style.
- **Selection Criteria** – Scholarships are given on the basis of merit. Financial need is not a factor or consideration in applying for this scholarship. Applicants will be evaluated on the basis of their athletic success, dedication, sportsmanship, and leadership, as well as academic achievement and character. A personal interview may be required as part of the selection process. The student's participation intent in sports at the post-secondary institution will not be a factor in the selection process.
- **Selection Committee** – The selection committee will be representative of the community and school. No identifying information will be given to the selection committee. Parents of the applicant(s) may not serve on the selection committee.
- **Submission** – The completed application packet and the three sealed recommendations must be delivered to: Braden River High School Athletic Booster Club Scholarship Committee, by turning in to student services, or giving to Chairman of the Committee, Margaret Lanier, **no later than April 9, 2015!** Please contact Margaret Lanier (info@lanierphotography.com), for more information.

Braden River High School Scholarship Application
2014 -2015 School Year

A. Personal Information

This data is required for administrative purposes only. All information is confidential. Please provide a home e-mail address and, if possible, an email address through which we can contact you after graduation. E-mail is not required to apply.

Full Name: _____

Current Mailing Address _____

Home telephone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Mother's Name _____ Phone Number _____

Father's Name _____ Phone Number _____

Academic Information Release

I authorize the release of my weighted and un-weighted GPAs to the Braden River High School Athletic Booster Club Scholarship Committee for the scholarship application process. I also authorize release of my transcript if the scholarship selection committee has a specific need which the transcript will clarify.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Statement of Understanding

- I certify that information contained in this application is correct. I understand that falsifying information will cause this application to be ineligible for selection.
- Scholarship awardees will be notified at the Sports Awards Ceremony in May.
- I also understand that all scholarship money will be disbursed to the institution's registrar after enrollment in a post-secondary institution has been established.
- I further understand that if I withdraw from school, I forfeit my scholarship committee funds.
- My parent or legal guardian and I have read this application and agree that all information is correct.
- My parent or legal guardian and I certify that the essay I have submitted is my original work.

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

Parent or Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

(Both signatures are required)

Any questions regarding the application process may be directed to:

Scholarship Chairperson
Margaret Lanier
info@lanierphotography.com

Scholarship Chairperson Only _____

B. SPORTS PARTICIPATION:

Describe your participation in school athletics at BRHS and any special recognition or awards you received during that participation: _____

C. NON-SPORT SCHOOL PARTICIPATION:

Describe your participation in any BRHS activities other than athletics: _____

D. COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION:

Describe your participation in any community activities: _____

E. ADDITIONAL APPLICATION SUPPORTING INFORMATION:

Describe any other qualifications to support your application: _____

You may attach additional pages to support sections B, C, D, & E.

F. Name of college or university you wish to attend: _____

Have you submitted an application and/or been accepted? _____

Scholarship Chairperson Only _____

Braden River High School Scholarship
Essay Requirement 2014/2015
Deadline – April 9th, 2015

As a component of the Braden River High School Athletic Boosters Scholarship Application, you must submit an essay that is your original work in analysis and composition.

Guidelines

The following rules must be followed:

- Essay must be typed, double-spaced, using 12-point Times New Roman or equivalent font with a one-inch margin on all sides of the page. DO NOT place your name or other indentifying information on the essay pages.
- A cover page must be attached to the essay that includes your name, address, phone, and email.
- Essay must be no more than 1,000 words. Pages must be stapled together.

Essay Topic

Within professional sports there are many different examples of good and bad role models. Explain your position on whether sports professionals should be considered role models and held to a higher moral standard. Give examples of both positive and negative role models and explain any valuable lessons you have learned from them both.

**Braden River High School
Athletic Booster Club Scholarship
Recommendation Letter**

Dear _____,

The BRHS Athletic Booster Club will be awarding scholarships to senior (grade12) athletes at the annual Spring Awards Ceremony in May. The Selection Committee is considering applicants based on their dedication, academic achievement, perseverance, sportsmanship, and leadership.

Based on your knowledge of the student athlete _____ please provide a brief description of why you think this student should be a recipient of this award. Please include information concerning your relationship with the applicant and how long you have known the student.

Please place your recommendation within a sealed envelope and return it to the student. Please sign both the letter and on the seal of the sealed envelope prior to returning them to the student. All comments will be kept confidential by the Selection Committee. Please be sure to include your name, title or job/position, address, telephone number, and email address so the Scholarship Committee may contact you should there be any questions concerning the applicant.

Margaret Lanier
info@lanierphotography
BRHS Athletic Booster Scholarship Chairperson

BRHS Athletic Booster Club 2014/2015 Application Checklist:
Applicants may use this checklist to guide them through the application process.

___ **Complete your Application Packet to include the following requirements:**

- 1) Fill out the Application with Personal Information**
- 2) Sign the Academic Information Release**
- 3) Attach Your Typed Essay to the Application Packet**
- 4) Sign the Statement of Understanding with Applicant and Parent's Signatures**
- 5) Include the Three Sealed Letters of Recommendations (See page 1 for requirements)**

___ **Mark your calendar to turn in completed form to school student services or Chairman Margaret Lanier, by April 9, 2015. (Late entries will not be considered.)**

Please place all of your above information in a sealed envelope for privacy. Thank you so much for applying and we wish you luck with this application and with your future ventures.

The BRHS Athletic Boosters