

APPLICATION TO APPLY FOR THE
NORMAN F. RICHARDS SCHOLARSHIP
&
BEDFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT
SCHOLARSHIP FUND, INC.



Student's Name _____

Address _____

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Please PRINT your name on the cover of this application.
2. After completing Page #3, print your name and address on the top portion of the **INSERT** and request your Principal or Guidance Counselor to complete the remaining sections.
3. Pages #4 and #5 are to be completed by you ... **the applicant.**
4. Pages #6 and #7 are to be completed by your **parent(s) or guardian(s).**
5. Please make sure the **COMPLETED** application is returned to:
Mr. Thomas Green
Bedford Firefighters Association
55 Constitution Dr
Bedford, NH 03110

ON OR BEFORE April 15 of this year

6. **Applicant ...** Before you sign below, review all statements for accuracy and completeness.

INCOMPLETE OR ERRONEOUS ANSWERS COULD RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION.

The statements in this application are true to the best of my knowledge.

Applicants Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____
(Please indicate which) _____

Dear Applicant

Thank you for your interest in submitting an application in the hopes of being awarded a scholarship to help defray college expenses.

If you are a son or daughter of a Bedford firefighter, please make this known when you complete the information requested on page #4 of this application.

Good luck.

APPLICANT: Please fill in the information down to line #6. Request your Principal or Guidance Counselor to complete the enclosed "INSERT". THEN, you with your parent or guardian, complete the remaining sections of this application.

1. High school attending. _____
2. What course of study did you take during high school? _____
3. Please indicate the extra-curricular activities you participated in during your four years in high school.

4. Name and location of college(s) or vocational schools to which you applied.

5. Names of colleges or vocational schools where you have been accepted.

6. I plan to major in: _____

APPLICANT: Now print your name and address on the TOP SECTION of the enclosed "INSERT" and give to your Principal or Guidance Counselor to complete.

APPLICANT: Please write a statement of not more than 250 words explaining how you plan to further your education towards your career goals. Include any awards, achievements and/or accomplishments you have received during the past four years. If there is any information which will help the *Scholarship Committee* understand your needs and which you have not given elsewhere in this application, you may include it in this narrative.

INSERT

Applicants Name: _____

Applicants Address: _____

Principal or Guidance Counselor.

Please complete the requested information about this student. Make any comments you desire in the space provided, and using the reverse side of this form if additional space is necessary. Attach a copy of the students transcript and any other documents and mail directly to:

Mr. Thomas Green, c/o Bedford Firefighters Association "Scholarship Committee"
55 Constitution Dr., Bedford, New Hampshire 03110

(The student will complete the remaining parts of the application and he/she will mail directly to Mr. Green the remaining sections. *Thank you for your cooperation.*)

Applicants Rank in Class _____

Program of Study _____

TEST SCORES	JUNIOR YEAR	SENIOR YEAR
PAST		
SAT-V &M		
I.Q. - Form and Score		
NAT.MERIT		
OTHERS		
SAT - ACHIEVEMENT		

COMMENTS:

Signature: _____ Title, _____

Date: _____

APPLICANTS WORK EXPERIENCE AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT

1. What part or full-time employment have you had during the past four years?

Year

Position

Total Amount Earned

(If explanation is necessary, please comment on Page #4)

2. What savings do you now have to assist with college expenses _____

3. Have you assisted your family financially? If so, explain: _____

4. What do you estimate your educational expenses will be next year for tuition, lodging, books, living expenses, other. \$ _____

5. How do you expect to meet this expense?

From your family \$ _____

From your savings \$ _____

From employment \$ _____

Other .. Please explain: _____

6. Do you have any brothers and/or sisters who are presently attending college? If yes, please indicate number and names.

7. What is the total number of persons dependent upon your parents (or guardians) for financial assistance including your grandparents, brothers, sisters and yourself?

Name of applicant _____

PARENTS/GUARDIAN FINANCIAL STATEMENT

This section should be completed by the applicants parents (or guardian). All financial information provided is held in strict confidence and known only by one person on the committee and held in strict confidence. Please note that incomplete or erroneous answers could result in disqualification.

1. Are both applicant's parents living? _____ and does applicant reside with both?

2. If NO to above, does applicant reside with a single parent ? or guardian ?

3. Father _____ Mother _____

EMPLOYER

TYPE OF
EMPLOYMENT

GROSS INCOME

4. Do others contribute to family support? _____ If yes, please explain:

5. Parents (guardian) NET income from all sources as reported on current IRS return.

Please circle which applies

Under \$5,000	\$5000 - \$20,000	\$20,000 - \$35,000
\$35,000 - \$50,000	\$50,000 - \$65,000	\$65,000 - \$80,000
\$80,000 - \$95,000	\$95,000-\$110,000	\$110,000 and over

6. If family owns real estate, including residential, commercial or industrial, please list all:

Property	Assessed Value from Tax Bill	Mortgage Balance if any)
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6A. If family does not own their residence, what is your monthly rent? _____

7. List all family assets (cash, savings, stocks bonds, trust funds, other)

8. List all family liabilities, excluding real estate mortgages _____

9. Are any of your brothers or sisters now attending college or other post high school training?

Yes or no?

If yes, how many?

Are any of them

receiving any type of scholarships or other student aid? If yes, what are the amounts?

10. Does the **applicant** know of any scholarships he or she will receive? If yes, please describe.

11. If applicant's parents (or guardian) desire to add additional information to this application,
please feel free to do so here.

***Just what is the Norman F. Richards
and
Bedford Fire Department Scholarship Fund?***

Norman F. Richards was an active volunteer member of the Bedford Fire Department. He was one of many individuals who perished in a tragic airplane crash when landing at Boston's Logan airport July 31st, 1973.

His widow, Mrs. Vivian Richards, now Mrs. George Angelopoulos, desired to perpetuate his name and she provided "seed" money to establish a scholarship fund in memory of her late husband. Thus, this ***Scholarship Fund*** was established in 1974.

The Fire Department has been fortunate to annually award scholarship monies to Bedford high school seniors who wish to further their education. Since the creation of the ***Scholarship Fund***, \$100,000 has been awarded to Bedford students. Monies to fund these scholarships is obtained thru the sale of tickets to the Department's Firemen's Ball held annually each May and fundraising efforts of members of the Firefighters Association.

The present members comprising the Scholarship Committee are:
Brian Hoffman, Earl Isham, Thomas Green and Richard Pollock.