Valid only from October 1, 2011, to January 31, 2012.

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

EAGLE SCOUT MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS

APPLICATION

Please be sure to use only this form or the downloadable form from the NESA website (www.NESA.org) when applying. Do not call to verify receipt of your application.

To ensure that your application is reviewed and processed as quickly and accurately as possible, please read and follow these procedures and requirements as written.

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Date received _____
1st check _____
2nd check _____
Entered _____
XR for _____

Procedures

The Eagle Scout applying for a scholarship must complete the application personally.

- **Enclose only the items requested** in the requirements (no biographies, résumés, or supplemental lists of activities).
- **Answer all questions on the application.** (Use only the space provided.)
- Address completed applications to: **NESA Merit Scholarships, National Eagle Scout Association, S322; Boy Scouts of America; 1325 West Walnut Hill Lane; P.O. Box 152079; Irving, TX 75015-2079.** NESA is not responsible for lost or misdirected applications. **FAXES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR CONSIDERATION.**
- Be advised that only those applications postmarked after October 1, 2011, but *no later than* midnight on January 31, 2012, will be considered.
- Be advised that applications become the property of the selection committee and will not be returned to the applicant. The selection committee will, in writing, notify those selected of its decision. The list of those selected will be posted on the NESA website (http://www.NESA.org), but no written notification will be sent to applicants except those selected.
- **Submitting an application is in no way a guarantee that a scholarship will be granted. There is no appeal, and the decision of the selection committee is final.**
- All applications must be typed.
- Please do not fold or staple applications.
- Applications may not be emailed.

Requirements

All applicants must

1. Be an Eagle Scout having passed the board of review on or before January 31, 2012.
2. Submit applications that are postmarked after October 1, 2011, but *no later than* midnight on January 31, 2012. Use sufficient postage.
3. Be a graduating high school senior or an undergraduate college student no later than completion of the junior year. You may receive the scholarship one time only.
4. Have demonstrated leadership ability in Scouting and a strong record of participation in activities outside of Scouting.
5. Provide **one** signed recommendation letter from a volunteer or professional Scout leader (please list Scouting title on the letter) who knows the applicant personally. This letter should attest to the general character of the applicant. **This is the only endorsement required. Endorsements from teachers, counselors, etc., will not be accepted.**

Note: Please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard that will be initialed and returned to let you know your application has been received. We will not search to ensure your application has been received.

THIS SCHOLARSHIP IS NOT AVAILABLE TO STUDENTS ATTENDING ANY OF THE U.S. MILITARY ACADEMIES.

Applicant's Information

(Type only)

Name _____
First Middle Last

Home address _____

City _____ **State**_____ **Zip**_____

Home telephone number (_____)_____ **High school graduation date**_____
Area code

Birth date _____ **Eagle Scout board of review date**_____

Email address_____

Council headquarters city _____ **State**_____
(Council where Eagle rank was earned)

Name of parent or guardian_____

Second parent or guardian _____

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Scout region: C N S W

Do not enclose NESA membership applications with this form.

Scouting Record

LEADERSHIP POSITIONS HELD
(Check all that apply.)

- ☐ Patrol leader
- ☐ Assistant senior patrol leader
- ☐ Senior patrol leader
- ☐ Junior assistant Scoutmaster
- ☐ Varsity team captain
- ☐ Varsity squad leader
- ☐ Varsity cocaptain
- ☐ National camp staff
- ☐ OA lodge chief
- ☐ OA section chief
- ☐ OA national officer
- ☐ OA chapter chief
- ☐ Venturing crew/ship officer
- ☐ Other _____

NATIONAL AWARDS EARNED
(Check all that apply.)

- ☐ BSA Lifeguard
- ☐ 50-Miler Award
- ☐ Heroism Award
- ☐ Historic Trails Award
- ☐ Honor Medal
- ☐ Honor Medal With Crossed Palms
- ☐ Hornaday Award
- ☐ Medal of Merit
- ☐ OA Vigil Honor
- ☐ OA Founder's Award
- ☐ OA Distinguished Service Award
- ☐ Religious emblem
- ☐ Merit badges *(Please give total number earned.)* _____
- ☐ Palms *(Please give total number earned.)* _____

PARTICIPATION

- ☐ Other Scouting positions/awards
  (Please specify.) _____

Have you participated in any of the following?
(Check all that apply.)

- ☐ Council camp
- ☐ Philmont
- ☐ Other high-adventure bases
- ☐ National Scout jamboree
- ☐ World Scout jamboree
- ☐ National camp staff
- ☐ OA member (Ordeal or Brotherhood)

Troop No. _____ Size _____
Scoutmaster's name _____
Scoutmaster's telephone (_____)_____- _____

School Activities

Name of high school/preparatory school _____

Address _____ **City** _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Principal's name _____ **Telephone (_____)** _____
Area code

OTHER ACTIVITIES *(Check all activities you have been involved in for at least one full school year during high school.)*

Sports	No. of Years
☐ Baseball	_____
☐ Basketball	_____
☐ Cross-country	_____
☐ Football	_____
☐ Golf	_____
☐ Soccer	_____
☐ Swimming/diving	_____
☐ Tennis	_____
☐ Track	_____
☐ Volleyball	_____
☐ Wrestling	_____
☐ Other *(Please specify.)* _____	

Clubs and Other Activities

- ☐ Band/orchestra
- ☐ Choir
- ☐ Chess
- ☐ Computer
- ☐ Debating
- ☐ Drama/theater
- ☐ Foreign language
- ☐ Club officer
- ☐ History
- ☐ International
- ☐ Math
- ☐ Science
- ☐ Model UN
- ☐ National Honor Society
- ☐ Student council/government (except class president)
- ☐ Class president
- ☐ Tutoring/peer counseling
- ☐ Yearbook/magazine/newspaper (except editor)
- ☐ Editor (yearbook, etc.)
- ☐ Boys State
- ☐ Future Business Leaders of America
- ☐ Key Club
- ☐ National Beta Club
- ☐ National FFA organization
- ☐ Students Against Destructive Decisions
- ☐ Other *(Please specify.)* _____

ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL AND SCOUTING *(Check all activities you have been involved in during high school for at least two years outside of school and Scouting.)*

Religious Involvement

- ☐ Youth group
- ☐ Other *(Please specify.)* _____

Clubs and Other Activities

- ☐ Blood drives
- ☐ Civic (library, park, government officials, etc.)
- ☐ Community theater
- ☐ Exchange student program
- ☐ Food drives
- ☐ 4-H
- ☐ Hospital
- ☐ Junior Achievement
- ☐ Kiwanis
- ☐ Music
- ☐ Red Cross
- ☐ Rotary
- ☐ The Salvation Army
- ☐ Tutoring
- ☐ Other *(Please specify.)* _____

SPORTS *(Select or club teams or equivalent for at least two years during high school.)*

- ☐ Baseball
- ☐ Basketball
- ☐ Football
- ☐ Martial arts
- ☐ Soccer
- ☐ Other *(Please specify.)* _____

Service to Community

Other than your Eagle Scout leadership service project, what service have you provided to your community since receiving your Eagle Award? Use only the space provided.

Service to Scouting

What service have you provided to Scouting since receiving your Eagle Award? Use only the space provided.

General Character

State how Scouting has shaped your character. Use specific examples. Please do not state the Scout Law as an example of your character.

BSA Merit Scholarships

This application is for the Hall/McElwain and Robert and Rebecca Palmer scholarships for Eagle Scouts. You must apply through the region in which you earned your Eagle rank. These scholarships are for tuition, room, board, and books only. Recipients may only win these scholarships one time.

These scholarships are not available to students attending any of the U.S. military academies, because at these academies expenses covered by NESA scholarships are already paid by the U.S. government. The scholarships are limited for use at a four-year college/university that is accredited by recognized accreditation agencies and offers at least a bachelor's degree upon completion of the course of study offered.

BSA Hall/McElwain Merit Scholarship

Recipients of the Hall/McElwain merit scholarship receive a one-time payment of $1,000 paid directly to the college or university. The number of Hall/McElwain scholarships varies depending on the funds available. These scholarships are dispersed evenly among winners from the four regions.

Robert and Rebecca Palmer Eagle Scout Scholarship

The Robert and Rebecca Palmer Eagle Scout Scholarship provides two $2,500 scholarships annually to the top two merit finalists in the country. Scouts may not receive both the Hall/McElwain and Palmer Eagle Scout scholarships.

Authorization

I hereby authorize the national Eagle Scout scholarship selection committee to request and obtain any further information it deems necessary.

Failure to disclose all relevant information or the use of false information will result in termination of the scholarship and could expose you to civil or criminal charges.

Signature of applicant _____ Date _____

I have read this application and it has my approval.

Signature of father/guardian _____ Date _____

Signature of mother/guardian _____ Date _____

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