

THE GUENTER FAMILY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND SELECTION CRITERIA AND PROCESS

Scholarship description

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This fund will provide scholarships to support one male senior student-athlete, and one female senior student-athlete, both graduating from Wilson School District, and who are planning to pursue a four-year degree at a college or university after high school. Applicant must be a multi-sport athlete at Wilson High School. Applicants must have acted in a leadership role on their team, in the classroom, or in their community. In addition, an applicant must be a well-rounded student and possess a dedication to education and giving back to their sport and community.

Applicants must write a 300 word or less essay on how being involved in athletics impacted their lives.

Scholarship selection process

In January of each year, Berks County Community Foundation (“BCCF”) will notify the Guidance Department at each Berks County school district about this opportunity and ask them to encourage their students to apply online at www.bccf.org between January 1st and March 15th.

A committee at Berks County Community Foundation will review the applications and select the recipients. Up to three members of the Guenter family may be included in the selection process.

Berks County Community Foundation will prepare an award letter to be sent to the recipient. BCCF will notify the appropriate college of the scholarship award and will send the scholarship check to the college, payable to the college and student, in August.

Berks County Community Foundation employees, board members and/or committee members are not eligible to apply for or be nominated for a scholarship offered by Berks County Community Foundation, nor are their immediate family members. However, immediate family members are eligible to be nominated and recognized as the recipient of a scholarship, but without the financial award of the scholarship. Immediate families include spouses; children, stepchildren, grandchildren, stepgrandchildren, and their respective spouses; siblings and their spouses; and ancestors. The ineligibility period for Berks County Community Foundation board members or employees and their family members extends five years after board service or employment terminates. The ineligibility period for committee members who are not Berks County Community Foundation staff or board is in effect only during their term of service and is only related to the committee on which they make decisions.

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OF BERKS COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
APPLICATION**

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Complete this form and submit to scholarships@bccf.org by March 15th. Please include essay on separate page and unofficial transcript with your submission.

Applicant Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Cumulative GPA: _____

Post-Secondary Education Information

College/University you will be attending: _____

Intended major: _____

School and Community Involvement

List all sports you have participated in during high school:

Give examples of leadership roles you have held on your team, in your classroom, or in your community during high school:

How do you give back to your community?

Essay

In 300 words or less, explain how being involved in athletics has impacted your life. (Please attach on separate page.)

Signature

Date

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