

Bill Owen, Cowboy Artist, Memorial Scholarship Fund, Inc.

The purpose of Bill Owen, Cowboy Artist, Memorial Scholarship Fund, Inc. (known herein as BOCA) is to provide funds for educational programs beyond high school for young people of the Arizona ranching community. This 501(c)(3) status, non-profit organization welcomes charitable donations and provides a receipt for tax purposes. Scholarship awards and distribution of funds are strictly at the discretion of the BOCA Board of Directors, based upon but not limited to the requirements stated herein.

A Note to Potential Applicants

The BOCA Scholarship Eligibility Requirements, Scholarship Application Procedures and the BOCA Scholarship Application forms are very specific. Potential applicants are urged to read them in their entirety to learn if they meet the qualifications for a BOCA Scholarship. After reading, should you be unsure, please do not call or email to ask for a determination. Instead, submit your application according to the Procedures and the BOCA Board of Directors will make the determination at the time of the annual review of applications and you will receive written notification.

Scholarship Eligibility Requirements

- Applicant must be a citizen of the United States, and an Arizona resident. An applicant whose home is in Arizona, but attends an out-of-state school qualifies as an Arizona resident.
- Applicant must be a high school graduate or continuing education student at a junior college, university or trade school (defined as accredited learning institution(s) which qualify for financial aid).
- BOCA Scholarship recipients are required to successfully complete 12 or more credit hours per semester.
- The applicant's parent(s) or grandparent(s) must be employed by or own an Arizona ranch; or the applicant must be employed by an Arizona ranch, proof of employment must be provided.

Scholarship Application Procedures

- Applications are to be postmarked no earlier than January 1st and no later than February 10th.
- Send by Certified Mail only, via the United States Postal Service.
- Send applications to: Bill Owen, Cowboy Artist, Memorial Scholarship Fund, Inc., C/O Dallas Laone, 8610 S Maryland Parkway Ste 1005, Las Vegas, NV 89123.
- The application is to be filled out in its entirety, in one envelope, with all the required supporting information.
- Provide a Copy of your Birth Certificate (1st Time Applicants Only).
- Provide TWO recommendation letters from someone other than family members (1st Time Applicants Only).
- An Application Checklist has been provided to help guide you through this process.
- You will re-apply for the BOCA Scholarship every year in January, put it on your calendar.

Please note: By submitting your signed BOCA Scholarship Application, you swear the information provided herein to be true, and grant permission for any and all information on and/or submitted with this application to be reproduced in any manner on the BOCA website (www.AllAboutBOCA.org) or the BOCA Facebook page.

Review of applications and scholarship award decisions will be made at the annual Board of Directors meeting and letters informing applicants of their individual results will be forthcoming. To learn the date of the meeting and the date the results letters are expected to be mailed, go to the 'For Students' page of the BOCA website at: AllAboutBOCA.org.

BOCA Scholarship Application Form

Name: _____ Phone #: _____-_____-_____

Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

If address shown above is a PO Box, list the physical address/location of your primary residence:

_____ Email: _____

Are you a U.S. Citizen? _____ Are you an Arizona Resident? _____ Grade you're in: _____

High School Attended: _____ Cumulative GPA: _____

College/Trade School Attended: _____ Cumulative GPA: _____

How many in your immediate family will be attending college or trade school this year? _____

Father's Name: _____

His occupation: _____ Gross annual income: _____

Mother's Name: _____

Her occupation: _____ Gross annual income: _____

List the name(s) of your family member(s) who are affiliated with an Arizona ranch/ranches and their relation to you: _____

What is the ranch affiliation? Owner _____ Part-owner _____ Lease _____

Name and physical location of the Arizona ranch/ranches: _____

List the Brand Number(s) off the Arizona Department of Agriculture Brand Certificate(s) for the brand(s) used on the Arizona ranch/ranch(es) listed above:

If no member of your family is affiliated with an Arizona ranch, in order to qualify you must be employed by a working ranch and must:

1. Attach your earnings statement(s) from the Arizona ranch/ranch(es) you work on to this application
2. Note the name(s) and physical location(s) of the Arizona ranch/ranch(es) on your earnings statement(s), and the name(s) and phone number(s) of the person(s) you work for.

If you have received this Scholarship before, list the year(s) _____ You must also attach a grade transcript showing successful completion of 12 credit hours or more in the last semester BOCA funded toward.

Signature: _____ Date: _____-_____-_____

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Every item on this list is REQUIRED. Please be mindful of the requirements or the application will be denied.

- _____ 1) Mail all the required information in ONE envelope, sent via Certified U.S. mail.
- _____ 2) The envelope MUST be sent by Certified Mail.
- _____ 3) Copy of Birth Certificate MUST be provided (1st time Applicants Only).
- _____ 4) A professional letter MUST be written to the BOCA Board of Directors, detailing the following information:
- Tell us about yourself.
 - What is your experience with the Ranch Life?
 - What School do you currently attend?
 - What are your extracurricular activities?
 - What clubs do you or have you belonged too?
 - What school(s) do you plan to attend?
 - What are your education goals?
 - What other scholarships have you applied for?
 - Have you been approved for any of the scholarships?
 - What do you plan to do after graduation?
- _____ 5) Name, address, and phone number of the school you plan to attend.
- _____ 6) What is the total tuition for both Fall and Spring Semester?
- _____ 7) What is the total Books and Labs for both the Fall and Spring Semester?
- _____ 8) TWO letters of recommendation MUST be provided, by someone other than family members (1st Time Applicants Only).
- _____ 9) Mail everything in ONE Envelope, Certified Mail to:

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