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Ric Jonas Memorial Foundation Overview

The Ric Jonas Memorial Foundation was created to honor the life of Richard Jonas - a man who touched countless lives with his generosity, kindness, and enthusiasm. His lust for life was evident in many ways, but especially in sports. Ric was an avid fan and participant in many sporting events.

His love of skiing, running, golf, and tennis drove our decision to start this foundation. Our hope is to provide the opportunity for children to experience the same love of sports that Ric had by involving them in activities they would otherwise not be able to access.

Our Mission Statement:

The mission of the Ric Jonas Memorial Foundation, a nonprofit charitable foundation, is to honor the life of Richard Jonas by building a self-sustainable sports scholarship fund through fund raising and donations. The foundation strives to improve the lives of youth through sports related programs and will allow chosen applicants to participate in an approved sports related activity that financial limitations would otherwise prevent them from attending.

Scholarship Overview

This scholarship is intended to provide tuition and any expenses related to athletic program of their choosing from our approved list. Grants will be distributed to chosen applicants, allowing them to participate in the high school sponsored athletic program. The foundation will seek to provide all necessary equipment for the program, along with tuition and expenses.

Eligibility

The award of this scholarship is dependent on several factors including:

- Child must be under the age of 18 at the time they begin participation in the chosen sport.
- Child's parent(s) or guardian(s) must meet the eligible financial status for consideration as solely determined by the Ric Jonas Memorial Foundation.
- Child and parent(s) or guardian(s) must provide a completed application with all required supporting documentation.
- Recipient **MUST** have a health insurance policy that covers them for any medical treatment that may result from injury related to participation in the sport.

Awards are granted without regard to race, color, creed, religion, disability, sexual orientation or national origin.



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Application

Interested students must complete the application, essay requirement, and supporting documentation and mail them to the address listed below. All materials must be sent to the Ric Jonas Memorial Foundation postmarked no later than June 30th, 2009. Applicants are responsible for gathering and submitting all necessary information. Instructions for completing the Financial Data section of the application are found below. Applications are evaluated on the information supplied; therefore, answer all questions as completely as possible. Incomplete applications will not be evaluated.

Once an application is submitted to the Ric Jonas Memorial Foundation, no additional information or changes to the application will be accepted.

Deadline

The deadline for applications is June 30th, 2009. All applications must be postmarked by that date to be considered.

Selection of Recipient

Scholarship recipients are selected on a number of criteria, including academic record, scholarship essay, potential to succeed, leadership and participation in community activities, honors, work experience, and a statement of educational and career goals.

Financial need as calculated by the Ric Jonas Memorial Foundation must be demonstrated by the applicant's parent(s) or guardian(s) to receive an award.

Selection of the scholarship recipient is made by the Ric Jonas Memorial Foundation board of directors. All decisions by the Ric Jonas Memorial Foundation board of directors are final.

Applicants are eligible to receive a one-time award of a scholarship. However applicants not chosen to receive a scholarship may re-apply for the award the following year provided they meet eligibility requirements.

Payment of Scholarship

The Ric Jonas Memorial Foundation will assist in the completion of athletic registration documents and pay the tuition and equipment expenses directly to the high school of behalf of the recipient. Any athletic waivers are the responsibility of the parent or legal guardian.



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Obligations

Acceptance of the scholarship constitutes permission for the Ric Jonas Memorial Foundation to use recipients' names, biographical information, and pictures for publicity purposes.

Miscellaneous

The Ric Jonas Memorial Foundation reserves the right to review any and all portions of this scholarship program at any time and make changes as we deem necessary or appropriate, including termination of the program.

Void where prohibited. This program is subject to all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations.

Financial Section Instructions

The financial section of the application should be filled out by the applicant's parent(s) or guardian(s). Information should be from a completed tax form for the most recent full tax year as filed with the IRS.

1. State of residence is where the applicant's parent(s) or guardian(s) are full time residents and pay resident state income tax, if applicable.
2. Adjusted Gross Income can be found on Federal income tax form 1040 and is gross income less deductions permitted by law. Include income from both parents or guardians if applicable, even if they file separate tax returns.
3. Total Income should be reported by both parent(s) or guardian(s) where applicable.
4. Untaxed Income & Benefits include any other income received by the applicant or the applicant's parent(s) or guardian(s) not included in the Adjusted Gross Income figure. Please include untaxed contributions to qualified retirement plans (ex. 401K).
5. Total Cash, Checking, Savings, Investments includes all liquid assets including IRA, 401K or any other retirement accounts.

Note: Any exceptions to providing this information as instructed above must be submitted to the foundation in writing with a detailed explanation. If one parent is deceased please note that in the exception.

Type or print clearly all information (except signatures). Use BLACK ink only. Completeness and legibility will ensure your application is reviewed properly for consideration.

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Additional information

Questions regarding the scholarship application, awards process, or the foundation should be directed to:

Ric Jonas Memorial Foundation, Inc.
N502 Park Drive
New Auburn, WI 54757
715-967-2658
<http://www.ricjonasfoundation.com>

Applicant Section

Applicant Data

Last Name _____ First _____ Middle Initial _____

Mailing Address _____ Apartment # _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone (____) _____ - _____ E-Mail _____

Birthday ____ / ____ / ____

Please Indicate Your Status: Male Female

School Info

School Name _____

School Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Current Grade _____ Teacher Name _____



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Activities Please describe extracurricular activities that you participate in (sports, Cub/Boy/Girl Scouts, community service, etc.)

Essay (Required) Please submit a typed or neatly hand written essay (three pages maximum double spaced) answering the following question:

- **“Why should you award me this scholarship?”**

Consider the following when writing your essay:

- Why is participating in this athletic program important to you?
- How will you apply the skills that you learn in this athletic program?

Supporting Documents Please include the following supporting documents with your application and essay:

- Applicant’s most recent report card.
- A written recommendation from a teacher, coach, guidance councilor or other non-family member.



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**Program
Choice**

Please indicate which high school athletic program you would like the scholarship to be applied towards. The scholarship can be used towards any official high school sponsored athletic team's dues for participation.

High School Athletics Sponsorship

*Scholarship will cover all applicable participation and equipment fees for one sport during the 2009-2010 school year.

- Eau Claire Memorial High School
- Eau Claire North High School
- Eau Claire Regis High School



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Parent or Guardian Section

Parent or Guardian Data

Last Name _____ First _____ Middle Initial _____

Mailing Address _____ Apartment # _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone (____) _____ - _____ E-Mail _____

Financial Info

Detailed instructions for this section are provided in the guidelines.

The applicant's parent(s) or guardian(s) must complete and return this section of the application in order to be considered for the scholarship. Adjusted gross income and total federal tax amounts should be from the previous year's filed tax return. If financial status has significantly changed since the previous year, please submit estimated figures for the current year. **To be considered for an award, this section must be filled out completely.**

State of Residence _____

A. Adjusted Gross Income (Form 1040, line 37) \$ _____

B. Yearly Untaxed Income (Social Security, Child Support, Other)..... \$ _____

C. Total Income (Both Parents or Guardians if Applicable A+B)..... \$ _____

D. Total Cash, Checking, Savings & Cash Value of Stocks,
Bonds or Other Liquid Investments (Include Retirement Plan Funds in IRA or 401K)
..... \$ _____

E. Total Number of Family Members Supported by Reported Income... # _____



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Insurance The recipient of the scholarship must provide proof of medical insurance that will cover them for the duration of the athletic program. **The Ric Jonas Memorial Foundation does not provide any insurance coverage for the recipient during the athletic program and will not be held liable for any medical bills as a result of injuries sustained at the athletic program.**

Further, the Ric Jonas Memorial Foundation has no affiliation with any of the named athletic programs and assumes no responsibility for any disputes surrounding the athletic program or its affiliates.

By checking this box, you agree that, on request, you will provide proof that you have a medical policy in place for the duration of the athletic program. The Ric Jonas Memorial Foundation reserves the right to request a copy of the policy for review prior to the start of the athletic program.

Checklist The applicant and their parent(s) or guardian(s) are responsible for submitting all materials to the Ric Jonas Memorial Foundation on time. Incomplete applications will not be evaluated. This application becomes complete and valid only when the Ric Jonas Memorial Foundation has received all of the following materials:

- Application Form (All Sections)
- Essay (1-3 Pages)
- Report Card
- Letter of Recommendation

All materials must be addressed to:

Ric Jonas Memorial Foundation, Inc.
N502 Park Drive
New Auburn, WI 54757

Deadline: Postmark of no later than June 30th, 2009

Selection Of Recipients The Ric Jonas Memorial Foundation board of directors has the sole responsibility for selecting recipients based on criteria as set forth in the program's application instructions. Applicants to the program may be contacted for clarification on any questionable items in the application. This application and any supporting documentation becomes the property of the Ric Jonas Memorial Foundation. (It is recommended that you keep a copy for your files.)



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Applicants will be notified of their application status by July 15th, 2009.

Waiver

We acknowledge all decisions of the Ric Jonas Memorial Foundation are final. In submitting this application, we agree to allow the Ric Jonas Memorial Foundation to review this application and all supporting documents. We certify that the essay is the applicant's personal work and creation and agree to provide proof of information we have given on this form, including a copy of a U.S. Income Tax Return if requested. Falsification of information may result in termination of any scholarship granted.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____