

## **Ball State University Alumni Association Legacy Scholarship**

The Legacy Scholarship program was established by the Ball State University Alumni Association through its governing body, the Alumni Council, to assist entering freshmen or currently enrolled Ball State students, and to demonstrate appreciation to alumni who contribute to the growth and enrichment of BSU through active membership and participation in the Alumni Association.

The initial awards, \$500 each, were given for the 1983-84 academic year. The 2012-2013 awards were \$2,500 each. Continuation of this scholarship must be budgeted and approved by the Alumni Council for each successive year.

### **Guidelines for Awarding the Scholarship**

1. The award is open to any returning full time undergraduate student or admitted and entering full time freshman whose parent, grandparent, or guardian is an alumnus of Ball State University. Assistance is not available for graduate study.
2. The parent, grandparent, or guardian must be an active member of the Ball State University Alumni Association. *Active membership is attained by making an annual contribution to the Ball State University Foundation.*
3. Financial need may be considered, but is not necessary to receive this award.
4. Preference will be given to entering freshmen in the top 20% of their high school classes at the completion of the seventh semester, and to undergraduate applicants with a 3.0 accumulative grade point average or better at the end of the current year, fall semester.

### **Additional Information**

1. Awards are presented as individual stipends and may vary from year to year depending on funds budgeted by the Alumni Council. The minimum stipend will be \$500.
2. The award is a one-time stipend and is not renewable in successive years.
3. Stipends will be divided and awarded in equal portions during the fall and spring semesters of the year they are received. Recipients will not receive lump sum payments, and must enroll full time in both semesters to receive the full award. If an individual selected to receive a Legacy Scholarship is already receiving other scholarships and awards, the total gift aid (grants and scholarships) cannot total more than the student's cost of attendance as stated in the "Statement of Maximum Gift Aid Policy," Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid.
4. All qualified applicants will have an equal opportunity to compete for the scholarship. There will be no restriction as to the age, race, creed, color, gender, U.S. citizenship, or national origin.
5. Each recipient of the award must make a waiver of normal privacy rights in order to allow publicity of the award to media.

### **Selection Process**

1. Announcement and information concerning this scholarship will be through news releases, The *Alumnus* magazine, and high school guidance departments.
2. Blank application forms may be obtained from the BSU Alumni Association, or from the BSUAA web site at [www.bsu.edu/alumni](http://www.bsu.edu/alumni). Applicants may retype the application if they use the same template and format.
3. Deadline: The completed Alumni Association Legacy Scholarship application **MUST BE RECEIVED BY 5:00 P.M. ON THE FIRST FRIDAY IN FEBRUARY.**
4. The Chairman of the Alumni Council will appoint a committee from the Alumni Council (all Ball State alumni and volunteers) to review applications and select the scholarship recipients. One member of the Alumni Association staff will serve as an ex-officio member.
5. The President and CEO of the Ball State University Alumni Association will authorize the Office of Student Financial Assistance to credit funds to the appropriate recipients' accounts.

Please contact the Ball State University Alumni Association if you have questions.  
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