



BOYS & GIRLS CLUB **EARL & ROBERTA HYERS SCHOLARSHIP**

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Applicant must be a former or current Boys & Girls Club of Southeast Alabama member. (Membership through a relative does not qualify.)
2. Applicant must be a High School Junior or Senior
3. Applicant must be a U.S. citizen.
4. Applicant must submit all required attachments with completed application form.

Submission Instructions:

- Submit completed applications and required attachments to:
 - **Mail:** Boys & Girls Club of Southeast Alabama, Attn: Scholarship Committee, 195 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave, Ozark, AL 36360
 - **Email:** zahnevia@bgcseal.com (Follow up if no confirmation is received.)
- Late submissions will not be accepted. **Application Deadline:** March 31, 2026

Required Attachments:

1. **Personal Statement:** One-page essay answering: "How have youth programs like the Boys & Girls Club influenced the direction of your life, and why do you believe these programs are important for future generations?"
2. **Letter of Recommendation:** From a teacher, community leader, or non-family member who knows you well.

Selection Criteria:

The selection process will consider the following:

- **Community Impact & Service:** Demonstrated commitment to positively impacting others and serving the community.
- **Personal Growth & Reflection:** Evidence of maturity, leadership development, and thoughtful reflection on life experiences.
- **Club Connection & Values:** How the Boys & Girls Club has influenced the applicant's character, values, and future direction.

Scholarship Details:

- **Award Amount:** \$1,000 to one deserving high school junior or senior.
- **Application Deadline:** March 31, 2026
- **Notification:** Recipients will be notified by April 30, 2026.

Application

Applicant Name (First, Middle, Last):	
Applicant Preferred Name:	U.S. Citizen: Y N
Phone Number:	Birthday: / /
Email Address:	
Dates of BGCSEAL Membership:	
Grade Level: Junior Senior	Graduation Date:
High School:	Cumulative GPA:
Who do you reside with on a regular basis? Mother Only Father Only Both Parents Other Family Relative Other:	
Planned College or Trade School:	
Planned Major:	

**1. Describe a time when you made a positive impact on your community or served others in a meaningful way. What did this experience teach you about leadership, responsibility, or service?
(200 words max)**

2. Describe a leadership experience or responsibility you have taken on. How did it shape your character or influence your future goals?
(200 words max)

3. What values or lessons have you gained through your involvement with the Boys & Girls Club, and how will they influence the way you serve or lead others in the future?
(200 words max)

STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING

I certify that the information provided in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that falsifying information or omitting details may result in disqualification. The Boys & Girls Club of Southeast Alabama reserves the right to retain all application materials, and decisions made by the Scholarship Committee are final. *All information supplied by the applicant will be kept confidential and used solely for the selection process.*

I further affirm that all written responses submitted with this application reflect my own original thoughts, experiences, and voice. While basic tools such as spellcheck are permitted, the use of artificial intelligence (AI) to generate or compose responses is not allowed. Authenticity, integrity, and personal reflection are essential components of this scholarship.

Signature of Applicant: _____ **Date:** _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ **Date:** _____

Earl and Roberta Hyers were lifelong believers in the importance of community children and youth programs, having both benefitted from these types of programs themselves as children and continuing into their teen years as counselors and student leaders. Roberta was an English professor for many years. Earl served proudly on the Board of Directors of the Boys and Girls Club, (from its inception) and promoted the Club whenever given the opportunity.