Bette Ade Scholarship Fund

A 501(c)(3) Corporation founded by the Texas Mothers of Multiples

2026-2027 INSTRUCTIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

*The **Bette Ade Scholarship Fund** provides scholarship awards for higher education to students attending accredited universities, colleges, junior colleges, trade schools or vocational schools. Scholarship recipients will be selected based on scholastic records, grades, financial need, and/or other criteria established by the Scholarship Chair, Fund Treasurer, and Trustees. Other factors outlined in the application, such as extracurricular activities, work experience, recommendations, essays, and long-term educational goals, may also be considered as applicable.*

ELIGIBILITY

1. To be eligible for the scholarship, applicants must meet one of the following requirements:

   a) Be a member in good standing, or the spouse of a member in good standing, of a TMOM Member Club. Both the member and the Member Club must have been in good standing for at least two (2) years immediately preceding the submission of the scholarship application.

   b) Be a Multiple Birth Child of a member in good standing of a TMOM Member Club. Both the member and the Member Club must have been in good standing for at least two (2) years immediately preceding the submission of the scholarship application. Multiple Birth Child includes a twin, triplet, or other higher-order multiple (quadruplet, quintuplet, etc.), including a legally adopted, foster, or stepchild.

   c) Be a Sibling of Multiples, including a legally adopted, foster, or stepchild, of a member in good standing of a TMOM Member Club. Both the member and the Member Club must have been in good standing for at least two (2) years immediately preceding the submission of the scholarship application.

   *** Exceptions for Club Closure or Transfer:** If a member's club folds or disbands, or the member transfers to another TMOM Member Club, the member's prior period of membership in good standing may be counted toward the two-year eligibility requirement, provided the member maintained membership in good standing during the applicable period and each Member Club was in good standing during the time the member belonged to that club. The member's current Member Club must be in good standing when the scholarship application is submitted.

   **** The Scholarship Chair shall verify the member's membership history and the good-standing status of the applicable Member Club(s) using the TMOM Club List or by contacting the local Club President.***

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must be enrolled, or plan to enroll, in an accredited educational institution authorized to provide a program acceptable for full credit toward a bachelor's or higher degree or a program of training to prepare students for gainful employment in a recognized occupation.

The institution must maintain a regular faculty and curriculum and have a regularly enrolled body of students attending the location where its educational activities are conducted. Eligible institutions may include universities, colleges, junior colleges, trade schools, or vocational schools. All eligible institutions will be considered equally.

INELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

An applicant may not be a member of the BASF Management Team (Scholarship Chair, Fund Treasurer, Trustees or Selection Committee) or the child or spouse of a current member of the BASF Management Team.

MAXIMUM NUMBER OF AWARDS

An applicant may apply for the scholarship multiple times; however, an individual may receive no more than two scholarship awards.

SCHOLASTIC REQUIREMENTS

1. The scholarship shall be limited to high school graduates or the equivalent.
2. A grade point average of 3.0 ("B") or better is required for those applying for college. It is not required for a vocational school or trade school applicant, but some indication of ability in the chosen field must be demonstrated.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

1. Application Form: The appropriate online Multiple, Sibling of Multiples, or Parent Application Form must be completed and submitted by February 1, 2027. Application links are provided in a subsequent section.

2. Transcripts or GED Certificate: The applicant's high school or college transcript, containing the school's official seal, or a GED certificate must be included with the application or sent directly to the Scholarship Chair. Any application that does not include the required transcript or GED certificate, as applicable, will be disqualified.

3. Two current letters of recommendation from different sources, such as a school educator, religious or community leader, or employer (not a relative), must accompany the application or be sent directly to the Scholarship Chair. The letters should address the applicant's character, community service, scholastic accomplishments, work ethic, and/or desire to further their education.

4. An essay of no more than two hundred (200) words on "What Goals I Hope to Attain by Furthering My Education" must accompany the application. This essay must be double spaced on 8 1/2" x 11" paper and include comments regarding the applicant's reasons for beginning or resuming their academic career at this time.

5. A short essay of no more than 150 words explaining your experience as a Parent of Multiples, Sibling of Multiples, or as a Multiple.

6. Supporting documents submitted by email must be received by the Scholarship Chair no later than **February 1, 2027**. Mailed supporting documents must be postmarked no later than **February 1, 2027**. Hand deliveries will not be accepted. Do not send applications or supporting documents by Certified Mail or any other method that requires a signature upon receipt. Online applications submitted after the deadline, emailed supporting documents received after the deadline, and mailed supporting documents postmarked after the deadline will be disqualified.

AWARD PAYMENT

1. The Trustees will determine the amount awarded to each recipient based on the available scholarship funds and the recommendations presented through the scholarship selection process. The scholarship shall be paid in one (1) installment directly to the financial aid office of the recipient's school.

2. The scholarship must be used for:
   a) Tuition and fees paid to enroll in, or to attend, an educational institution described above, or
   b) Fees, books, supplies, and equipment that are required for all students in the courses of education at an educational institution described above.

3. Proof of Acceptance or Enrollment: Proof of acceptance from a college, technical school, or trade school must be provided before payment is issued. A certificate of enrollment may be accepted in place of proof of acceptance, provided it contains the school's official seal.

4. Applicants selected to receive a scholarship must complete and submit the BASF Scholarship Payment Form to the Scholarship Chair before payment can be issued. **The form is not required with the initial scholarship application.*

5. If a scholarship recipient becomes ill or must interrupt their studies for any reason, the Scholarship Chair must be notified promptly of the circumstances. The Scholarship Chair will present the circumstances to the Fund Treasurer and Trustees, who will determine whether an exception to the scholarship payment or use requirements may be granted. Submission of a request does not guarantee approval. If an exception is granted, the scholarship may be held until the recipient is able to resume their studies, provided the recipient resumes their education within one (1) year.

SCHOLARSHIP CHAIR

1. Questions should be directed to the Scholarship Chair by phone (817) 999-7519 or email: betteadescholarship@gmail.com.

2. Supporting documents should be mailed or emailed directly to the Scholarship Chair:
   Cindy Broder
   BASF Scholarship Chair
   3342 Summerfield Drive
   Grapevine, TX 76051
   betteadescholarship@gmail.com

APPLICATION LINKS

Multiple Application
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Sibling Application
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Parent Application
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