

**Mayde Creek High School Athletic Booster Club Scholarship Program Guidelines**

**2024 - 2025**

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**Sponsorship**

The scholarship program is sponsored by Mayde Creek High School Athletic Booster Club. Funds are generated from the contributions of our members and Booster Club fund-raising activities that take place during the academic school year.

**Scholarship Awards**

Ten (10) scholarships valued at $1,000 each will be awarded to selected MCHS graduating seniors; five male athletes and five female athletes. Scholarships will be applied towards school tuition, fees and relative costs. Payments will be made directly to the School/Institute upon the awarded recipient’s submission of a statement to the Athletic Booster Club’s Treasurer. Only one Scholarship is awarded per student.

**Eligibility**

Candidates must meet each of the following criteria:

* Must be a Senior and active participant in an athletic activity for two years at MCHS, including participation in a sport during Senior year. Note: If a transfer student, must show proof of involvement in a sport at the previous school.
* Must have a cumulative core course GPA of 2.5 at end of 1st semester Senior year.
* Must be pursuing secondary education at any accredited 2- or 4-year university, college, community college, or vocational/technical institute upon graduation from MCHS; must provide proof of acceptance or enrollment.
* Military Reserve pursuit is allowed if the awardee enters a secondary education institution or program within the first calendar year following graduation. Funds can be held in good faith for awardee for up to 12 months post-graduation.
* Parent/Guardian must be a current MCHS Athletic Booster Club member with a minimum of 10 hours of MCHS-ABC volunteer experience at time of application (with preference being a minimum of 10 hours a year). This includes volunteer hours by the student athlete. The MCHS-ABC Membership fee must be paid in full ($15).

**Scholarship Application**

The application must include:

* A minimum of two (2) signed recommendation letters - one (1) from a Coach and one (1) from a Teacher.
* Copy of high school transcript with grades through 1st semester of Senior year.
* Proof of acceptance or enrollment letter. Required prior to distribution of funds.
* If a transfer student, proof of involvement in athletic activities at previous school.
* An essay in the following format:
* Essay must be typed and double-spaced.
* Must use Times New Roman font style, no larger than a 12-point font.
* Proper grammar and free of grammatical errors.
* Minimum of 250 words and no more than 350 words.

Answer the following questions:

1. Describe what significant high school event(s) or athletic experience had a significant impact on your future college educational goals.
2. What lesson(s) did you learn from that experience?
3. How did this event help you to realize your untapped potential as a person?
4. How will you apply what you have learned and empower yourself to become successful in your next (academic/vocational/technical) pursuit?
5. Include any additional outside experiences (i.e. work, community service, travel, etc.) that have added inspiration to your future goals.

**Application Process & Submission Deadline**

* You will be asked to list your high school activities, recognitions and/or honors, and community activities.
* You will also upload all required documents including the essay, letters of recommendation, transcript, transfer information (if needed), and proof of acceptance or enrollment letter into an allowable post-graduation program.
* Applications must be submitted online by **Friday, April 4, 2025**. Please click on the scholarship link below. **No late applications will be accepted**.

Click to apply: (insert hyperlink)

Questions can be addressed to: maydecreekathleticsboosterclub@gmail.com

**Selection Criteria**

In awarding scholarships, the Mayde Creek High School Athletic Booster Club shall evaluate the candidates based on the following criteria:

* Essay – character, integrity, and personal qualities (as figuratively expressed).
* Academic achievement – not just GPA, but all challenging coursework pursued.
* All additional, meaningful participation in an activity outside of school (work, community service, volunteer, etc.)

If there are an insufficient number of qualified candidates -- 5 males and 5 females -- by the deadline date, the Scholarship Committee will distribute the scholarships to any qualified applicant regardless of gender. If there are more than ten qualified applicants, the Committee will use a scoring model to select the best candidates; refer to Figure 1.