

PROFESSIONAL **ATHLETES** FOUNDATION

THE GENE UPSHAW PLAYER ASSISTANCE FUND



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PROFESSIONAL ATHLETES FOUNDATION

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Criteria for Professional Athletes Foundation Student Scholarship

The PAF Student Scholarship is designed for a high school athlete who intends to attend a university, college, or two-year institution that does not provide athletic scholarships. The Scholarship rewards high school athletes for their non-athletic achievements and assists them in achieving their career goals.

Eligibility

1. Overall High School Grade Point Average of 2.0 or better
2. High school senior status
3. Accepted at a 2-year or 4-year college or university
4. Nominated by high school coach
5. Participated at the varsity level in athletics for at least one year
6. Has *not* accepted any scholarship funds or grants to participate in college athletics
7. Is not the son or daughter of current or former NFL player

Criteria for Evaluation

1. Career goals
2. Nomination by coach
3. Academic achievement
4. Potential for success
5. Leadership and character
6. Indication of how athletic competition has aided in personal growth

Nomination Materials

The following materials should be provided to the Scholarship Committee:

1. Coach's nomination letter
2. Application form completed by student and signed by coach and principal
3. Two-page essay provided by student
4. High school transcript

Scholarship Information and Application Forms
Professional Athletes Foundation
Student Scholarship

The local chairman of the Scholarship Committee for the PAF Student Scholarship is:

Randall Novak

Phone (206) 250-8477

Nomination Materials should be forwarded to:

Randall Novak
500 Yale Ave North
Seattle, WA 98109

The Scholarship deadline is:

Friday, February 10, 2017

Note: A student who accepts this scholarship and plans to participate in athletics at the college level as a non-scholarship or “walk-on” athlete should carefully examine how the scholarship might impact the college or university. Any high school athlete who receives any form of financial aid or scholarship funds, including this scholarship, and who intends to participate in athletics at a school governed by the NCAA falls under NCAA guidelines and should consult with appropriate college counselors about how this scholarship might affect athletic eligibility.

Professional Athletes Foundation Student Scholarship Application Form

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Note: Children of current or former NFL players are not eligible.

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Nomination materials should be sent to the counseling office of the high school. Materials should then be forwarded to the superintendent's office

Instructions

1. The application must be filled out by the student applicant. Please print or type.
2. All requirements must be met and all information complete for an application to be considered.
3. The application form and essay should be given to the coach/nominator who is responsible for seeing that all application materials are forwarded to the superintendent's office.

Name _____ Last four digits of SSN# _____

Address _____ Phone _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Email address: _____

Parents' names _____

Academic Information

High School GPA _____ Class Rank _____ Percentile Rank _____

SAT Scores Verbal _____ Math _____

ACT Scores Verbal _____ Math _____

Athletics

High School Athletic Involvement _____

School Activities

List other school activities in which you have been involved

College Plans

College(s) or University(s) at which you have been accepted:

Expected College Major: _____

Essay

On an attached sheet, in no more than 500 words, indicate why participation in high school athletics has been important to you and how this scholarship will help you achieve your career goals.

Signatures

I acknowledge that the information provided on this application is accurate.

Student Nominee: _____ Date: _____

To the best of my knowledge, the attached academic information is accurate:

High School Counselor: _____ Date: _____

**Professional Athletes Foundation
Student Scholarship
Coach's Nomination Form**

The Professional Athletes Foundation supports a \$2,500 scholarship for a high school student-athlete who lives in a city that has a National Football League Former Players Chapter.

The Professional Athletes Foundation believes that student athletes should be recognized for their academic achievement and should be encouraged to pursue career goals beyond athletics.

High school student athletes who will not obtain an athletic scholarship to compete in athletics at the collegiate level are eligible. High school student athletes who will participate in athletics at a college or university that does not give athletic scholarships are also eligible.

The Scholarship Committee encourages you to nominate a high school athlete who has shown academic achievement, leadership skills, and strong promise for career goals.

Please provide the following information:

Nominated Student _____

Please attach a 250 to 300 word letter of nomination, indicating how this student meets the criteria for the scholarship.

Name _____

Sport Coached _____

School _____

Address _____ Phone _____