



## 2010-11 Foundation Scholarship Program Homewood-Flossmoor High School

### Calendar:

April 11, 2011	Application available
Thursday, April 28, 2011	Deadline for completed application to the Registrar in the Guidance Office
May, 2011	Award notification: Applicant will be notified at least one week prior to the Honors Convocation
May 25, 2011	Scholarships awarded at Honors Convocation

**Application Instructions:** This application is for high school seniors attending H-F High School.

### **Step 1:**

**Electronic Submission:** Go to the following link below to submit your application. This link can be found under the Announcements page on HF's homepage ([www.hfhighschool.org](http://www.hfhighschool.org)) as well as the Guidance Department home page.

<https://spreadsheets.google.com/a/hf233.org/viewform?hl=en&ndplr=1&formkey=dHBNNW1oNzI3YVg1OXRvTVF6WmNSeEE6MQ#gid=0>

### **Step 2:**

**A printed copy of the following** must be included for your application to be complete. The following documents must be submitted to the H-F Guidance Office Registrar by Thursday, April 28, 2011.

After completing the electronic application you must submit the following to the H-F Guidance Office Registrar.

1. Transcript request form (at no cost to the student).
2. Financial Aid information (if you would like to be considered for financial need based scholarships). Submit a copy of your Student Aid Report (SAR)
3. Copy of ACT score report
4. Letters of Recommendation. Letters should be received in a sealed envelope with the recommender's signature over the seal.
5. Student and parent/guardian signature page

**Essay Instructions:** Every student **is required** to submit a biographical essay (Essay #1 below) with the application. Additional essays may be selected from the additional options listed below. Submit all essays electronically. At the top of each essay retype the essay question/s.

1. **Essay providing a biography and description of your experience as a student in high school and reasons you decided to get a college education.** The essay should be a minimum of 250 words. **Use 10 pt. font single spaced.**

### **Additional essay options:**

2. Discuss a community service experience that has helped you broaden your perspective in some way. Include a description of your role in that experience.
3. Describe a recent challenge you have faced, what you did to overcome it and how it helped shape your character.
4. What change would you make to American society that would have the largest impact and cost the least?  
(option for the 1960-61 Alumni scholarship)
5. What change would you make in education that would have the largest impact and cost the least?  
(option for the 1960-61 Alumni scholarship)
6. If you had a time machine and could go either to the future or to the past (and then return to the present) what time period would you travel to and why? (option for the 1960-61 Alumni scholarship)

### **Step 3:**

**Letters of recommendation:** Up to two Letters of Recommendation are required from adults who know you and your capabilities. One letter should be from a high school teacher you have had at H-F. A second letter may be from another classroom teacher, a coach, club sponsor, administrator or person outside the H-F school community such as a community service coordinator that you worked with. Family members are excluded.

**Eligibility and selection criteria:** Candidates will be selected based on a variety of factors including financial need (if requested by the sponsoring organization/donor), academic promise, personal essays and recommendation letters from up to three adults who are knowledgeable about you.

**Elyse Bell Girls Golf Scholarship**

Amount of award: Varied up to \$1,000

To be eligible for this scholarship, you must:

- Be a high school senior of the girl's varsity golf team.
- Financial need will be a consideration. Provide a copy of your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

**Brian Miller Memorial Scholarship**

Amount of awards: One award of \$500

To be eligible for this scholarship, you must

- Be a high school senior who is planning to pursue a career in the industrial arts field of study.

**Homewood-Flossmoor Parent Association (HFPA)**

Amount of awards: Eight awards of \$500 each

To be eligible for this scholarship, you must:

- Be a high school senior with a GPA of 2.4/4.0 or higher.
- Submit an essay indicating the student's desire to continue education and how this relates to their career aspirations. The essay should also include the individual's determination to succeed and have demonstrated self motivation
- The student may choose to include any recent experience that has represented a challenge or hardship. The **essay** should be no more than 500 words, single spaced, and 10 pt font. (Essay option #3)
- U.S. citizenship or permanent residency required
- Financial need will be a consideration. Provide a copy of your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or your Student Aid Report (SAR)

**Elizabeth Barry Scholarship**

Amount of Award: \$2,500

To be eligible for this scholarship, you must:

- A high school senior that is planning to attend a four year college or university
- A student who has taken the academic challenge and who has demonstrated a strong work ethic
- A student who has demonstrated a passion for becoming a world citizen through an interest in preserving the environment and showing interest in different cultures.
- The **essay** should be a minimum of 250 words. Use 10 pt font and single spaced. Place your name at the top of each page.

Essay Topic for the Elizabeth Barry Scholarship:

Share an experience in which you have reached out to others in your community, both locally and/or globally. Describe, in detail, your role in that experience, what effect your actions had, and how you were impacted by the experience.

**1960-1961 HF Alumni Award**

The '61 HF Alumni Award was established in 2010 by Alumni of the classes of 1960 and 1961 to provide support for deserving Homewood Flossmoor graduates in need of financial assistance.

Amount of award: Three awards of \$3000 each

To be eligible for this award, you must

- Be a senior in good academic standing and have been involved in community and/or extra-curricular activities
- Provide two letters of recommendation, one from an H-F faculty member. The other must come from a non-family member.
- Demonstrate financial need via FAFSA or your SAR
- Enroll in a two or four year accredited institution
- Complete the relevant written essay options and information requirements for this award.



## Teacher Recommendation Letter and Evaluation Information

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Deadline: April 28, 2010

### Instructions for the Recommender:

If the completed Recommendation Letter and/or Evaluation Form are given to the student it must be placed in a sealed envelope with your signature placed over the seal to maintain confidentiality. The letter and recommendation form should be sent or hand delivered by the recommender directly to the H-F Guidance Office at (999 Kedzie Avenue, Flossmoor, IL 60422).

Please address the following characteristics in the letter of recommendation, providing examples where appropriate:

- The student's work ethic. (It is not necessary that the student be the top of his or her class or the star of your activity but to address how he or she approached any given assignment, task or project).
- The student's role within the group. Describe how the student has been a role model to others within the group through dedication and commitment.
- The student's leadership ability
- The student's academic promise
- The student's social/political awareness and sensitivity to the needs and values of others
- If you are aware of a personal situation: (Financial need or extenuating circumstances that limit this student from taking full advantage of benefits and privileges available to most others, i.e. family situation, health, etc.)

Please include this information:

1. Name of candidate:
2. Your name
3. Role or Position / Relationship to the applicant
4. How long you have known the applicant

List the names of up to two people who will be writing a letter of recommendation for you, and the nature of their relationship to you.

Name of Recommender	Role or position / Relationship	Months / Years
_____	_____	_____

(Rank 1 being the lowest and 4 being the highest)

	1	2	3	4
Leadership				
Motivation				
Maturity				
Self-Discipline				
Team/Group Values				

Additional comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Coach's Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Coach's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

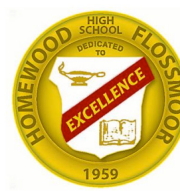
Teacher's Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Community Recommender's Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Community Recommender's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*Please attach the letter of recommendation with this form, if available



## Student and Parent/Guardian Signature Page

I understand that the H-F Foundation Scholarship Application information received by the H-F guidance department registrar may be shared with the sponsors or donor/s of the award for final selection purposes. I certify that all information on this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that it is my responsibility to contact the H-F Foundation with any changes to my contact information. This form must be turned in to the Registrar's office at the time of application submission.

**Applicant's Signature:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Signature:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_