# Oklahoma Golf Association Foundation Policy on Scholarships

Started on January 1, 2015, the Oklahoma Golf Association Foundation ("OGAF") began a program of awarding scholarships to deserving girls and boys subject to the requirements which are set out below. The scholarships to be awarded will consist of:

Bill Barrett Memorial Scholarship Amount to be awarded annually = \$5,000.00

Roy Oxford Memorial Scholarship Amount to be awarded annually = \$5,000.00

Corky Billen Memorial Scholarship Amount to be awarded annually = \$5,000.00

Gene Mortensen Memorial Scholarship Amount to be awarded annually = \$5,000.00

The OGAF Scholarship Program will be under the exclusive authority and direction of the OGAF Board of Directors and its decision is final, in all respects. A Committee has been established to: (1) develop procedures for applications and applicant reviews; (2). process scholarship applications and conduct interviews; and,(3) make grant decisions subject to the review of the Board of Directors.

Funds for each scholarship will be paid into an account established at the college of choice and available for withdrawal by the successful recipient.

#### Criteria for Granting Scholarships

The OGAF will award Scholarships based on the following criteria:

- Character
- Academic achievement
- Leadership
- > Financial need
- Letters of Recommendation
- > Participation in Junior Golf
- > Interview
- > Extracurricular activities

#### Who is Eligible

In order to be considered for a OGAF Scholarship, each female and male applicant must comply with the following.

The Applicant must be a high school senior who is in good standing in an Oklahoma high school and who has or will enroll as a full time student for the coming fall semester, at a fully accredited college or university.

The Applicant must have completed the last two (2) years of High School (grades 11 - 12) in Oklahoma.

The Applicant must have been a member of the Oklahoma Junior Golf Tour **OR** a regular member of a First Tee Program in Oklahoma. Participation, and not necessarily playing ability, is the prerequisite.

In respect to the OGAF Scholarships (\$2,500.00), membership in the OJGT or First Tee may be waived if the applicant's parent or legal guardian is; (i). a current member of the PGA South Central Section and is employed by a golf facility in Oklahoma; or,(ii). a Golf Course Superintendent at a club in Oklahoma.

The Scholarships are one-year grants. A recipient of a scholarship is not eligible to apply for a scholarship in a following year. A Scholarship is only available to those who are pursuing a first bachelor degree or the equivalent.

Those who are **not eligible** include children of current and past employees/directors of the OGA and OGAF, and relatives of any person who has made a substantial donation to the OGAF within the year in which the application is filed.

#### The Application

Each female and male applicant is required to submit an application in substantially the form which is attached to this Policy Statement.

Financial need and academic progress are considered during the interview process.

Attachments to each Application must include:

- (A). a high school transcript including SAT and ACT test scores.
- (B). two letters of recommendation; one from a teacher or administrator at the applicant's high school; and, one from a person who knows the applicant as the result of the applicant's involvement in the game of golf.
- (C). a school picture which may be used in media publications.

### <u>Timetable to Receive/Review Applications</u>

In order to carry out the Scholarship Program in a timely manner for the benefit of the recipients, this schedule will remain in effect:

- applications must be received at the office of the OGAF on or before March 15 in the year for which the request is being made;
- 2. Committee review of the applications and interviews will take place during the ensuing sixty (60) days;
- 3. selections by the Committee will be reviewed by the Board at its regular meeting in May; and,
- 4. announcement of the names of all successful recipients will be made on June 1.

## Application for OGA Foundation Scholarship

Name			Date of Birth	
Home Address	Street		City	Zip Code
Home Phone #		E-r	mail	
Social Security Nu	mber			
High School				
Address _	Street	City	Zip	_
List all clubs you h	ave joined, with y	ears of membersh	ip, while in High	n School:
List any community projects in which you participated:				
Oklahoma Junior (	Golf Tour/First Tee	e membership year	rs	Events played
List of other Junior	Golf events/char	mpionships in whic	h you were a pa	articipant:
Name of College of	or University you v	will attend:		
List all other schola	arships for which	you have applied:		
If you have applied	d for student aide	under FAFSA, atta	ach a copy of yo	our Student Aide Report.
Tell the Committee your Application	e anything else ab	oout yourself which	the Committee	would find helpful in reviewing

A copy of my High School Transcript, two Letters of Recommendation, and Picture are attached. Please send your Application, Transcript, two Letters, and Picture to:

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