



**South Dakota
Bankers
Foundation**

HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

from the South Dakota Bankers Foundation
and Your Bank...



Scholarships are available in \$500 increments to the first 100 banks/branches who agree to match an equal amount. One-hundred \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to high school seniors on behalf of their sponsoring banks and the South Dakota

Foundation Requirements

- ☞ Banks who participated in the Foundation's Capital Campaign will be eligible to complete this application.
- ☞ Student must be a high school senior who plans to attend an accredited South Dakota college, university, vocational technical school, or community college on a full-time basis.
- ☞ Winners agree to have their names released to the media.
- ☞ Other eligibility requirements as determined by the sponsoring bank. (Suggested criteria, if needed, are posted on our website at www.sdba.com)

MATCHING FUNDS APPLICATION

Bank/branch must match each scholarship at \$500. Scholarships are awarded based on one per bank, then one per branch with additional requests considered until the \$50,000 is awarded. Submit in the order of priority. Duplicate this form if you have more than three locations requesting scholarships.

Bank Name: _____

Branch/Bank City: _____ # of \$500 scholarship(s) applying for to this location: _____

Contact Name: _____ Email: _____

Branch/Bank Address: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

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Contact Name: _____ Email: _____

Branch/Bank Address: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

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Branch/Bank Address: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Submit requests by December 18, 2009.

Banks will be notified in January of 2010, of the number of \$500 scholarships the bank and/or branch(es) will be awarded.

Send this application by mail, fax or email to: South Dakota Bankers Foundation

PO Box 1081- Pierre, SD 57501 * fax:605-224-7835 * jchambers@sdba.com

Questions: Call 605-224-1653

Suggested Criteria for Scholarship Application

You may use the following example to set up your eligibility requirements for the scholarship.
Please feel free to use any or all examples listed.

Name: _____ Birthdate: _____

Home Address: _____ Phone: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ Phone: _____

Address (if different from above): _____

Name of school currently attending: _____

Graduation date: _____ GPA: _____

College or post secondary school: _____

Intended major or area of interest: _____

Attach a photo with your name printed on the back (head and shoulders shot, please.)
Your application will be evaluated in the following areas. Finalists will be selected to appear
for a personal interview.

Academic (up to 10 points awarded). Include an official transcript.

Activities (up to 25 points awarded). Include a typewritten summary outlining school, extracurricular, civic, religious, volunteer and special interest activities. Briefly describe your involvement in each activity including average hours per week/month/year devoted to each activity. List each activity separately. List work history, length of employment at each position and number of hours worked.

Character (up to 25 points awarded). Write a 200 word or less description of yourself including your goals and values, and three of the following attributes that may apply to you: integrity, honesty, trustworthiness, respectfulness, commitment and/or other characteristics.

Interview (up to 40 points). Finalists will be interviewed during a designated time at the bank's main office. During the interview, conducted by a panel of judges, finalists will be asked questions including the following two questions:

- What are the most challenging aspects of being a teenager/young adult today? How do you deal with those challenges?
- How is a local full-service bank uniquely qualified to generate economic growth?

All applications must be sent to: Contact Person, Name, Address of Bank by Deadline. All requirements listed above must be met or it may result in disqualification of the applicant.

Do not send the above *Suggested Criteria* form to the SDBA. It is for your internal use only.