

BILOXI CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SCHOLARSHIP

The Biloxi Chamber of Commerce Scholarship seeks to provide college funds for the worthiest graduating senior who meets the established criteria. In addition, students will be eligible in the following categories, *but not limited to*: students from a military family or who plans to enlist in the military, students whose family owns a small business (less than 50 employees), students whose family works in the tourism industry, students pursuing careers in education or come from a family of educators.

1. The student must be a graduating senior residing in the city limits of Biloxi or attends a school within the city limits of Biloxi.
2. The students must score a minimum of 18 on the ACT and/or a 3.0 grade point average.
3. The student must plan to, and subsequently enroll in, a college or university who is accredited by one of the six regional accrediting associations for colleges and schools.
4. The student must submit to an interview by the Biloxi Chamber of Commerce Education Committee, if necessary.
5. The student must demonstrate his or her worthiness for the scholarship by completing the attached application.

The Chamber Education Committee is seeking to honor a well-rounded student. In reviewing the applications, the committee will look for the student who demonstrates a broad range of positive qualities. The following areas are examples:

- Participation and leadership in school, church, and community
- Meaningful work experience while attending high school
- Active engagement in hobbies and other interests while attending high school
- Attainment of academic excellence
- Shows a need for financial assistance to pursue education

Applications should be mailed to:

Biloxi Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Program
Biloxi Chamber of Commerce
11975E Seaway Road
Gulfport, Mississippi 39503

Applications must be postmarked no later than **April 2, 2010** and will not be accepted after that date. The winner will be notified through the school and by mail.

To obtain additional copies of the scholarship application, visit our website at www.biloxi.org.



Biloxi CHAMBER

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BILOXI CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Our Mission

Biloxi Chamber of Commerce is the leading voice of business with a mission to promote and enhance the economic vitality of our community while preserving the unique heritage of our City.

Biloxi Chamber of Commerce has identified certain strategies as focus areas to include Growth & Development, Military Support, Education, Tourism/Community Events, and Communications and Marketing. Those identified above do not represent all of Biloxi Chamber of Commerce's activities but are simply areas of focus that will increase the effectiveness of the Biloxi Chamber of Chamber and further the success of our mission.

We are pleased that you have taken interest in applying for a scholarship to pursue your education after you complete high school.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Code: _____
(Official Use)

I. Name:

Address:

Telephone:

Date of Birth:

Parent's Name:

m. List any honors or awards which you have received:

n. How has military, tourism, or small business affected your life while living on the Mississippi Gulf Coast?

- III. Write an essay of less than 500 words on the following topic: PLEASE TYPE THE ESSAY IN THE SPACE BELOW:

As a community we are charged with balancing growth, rebuilding, and preserving heritage. The responsibility to maintain and improve the quality of life for our diverse community falls on our own citizens.

After college let's assume you decide to make the Gulf Coast your home. Looking ahead to the next five to ten years what issues do you see yourself personally becoming involved with? How can you impact your community?

No additional attachments will be accepted