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APPLICATION PROCEDURES & ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ERNEST I. & EURICE MILLER BASS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

On June 11, 1969, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest I. Bass, Dallas, Texas, created this scholarship fund in order to aid high school graduates in securing a four-year college education. The fund is administered by HighGround Advisors (formerly Baptist Foundation of Texas), a Texas nonprofit corporation located in Dallas, Texas.

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must (1) be high school graduates pursuing studies at schools and colleges owned, controlled or supervised by state or area religious conventions cooperating with the Southern Baptist Convention or its successors; and (2) maintain at least a minimum passing cumulative grade point average and (3) be enrolled full-time (at least 12 hours) unless it is the student's last semester before graduation.

SELECTION CRITERIA: Scholarship awards are based on economic necessity and academic performance. **Past awards are no guaranty of future awards.** Any recipient dismissed from an institution for disciplinary reasons shall be ineligible for further aid. Recipients shall not engage in gambling, or in drug abuse, or be frequent users of alcoholic beverages. Awarded funds are sent to the student's school as soon after the term deadlines as possible.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

- 1. Complete the application and submit to HighGround Advisors **by email** to <u>scholarships@highgroundadvisors.org</u>, subject line: Bass Scholarship *Scholarship application and official transcript must be received by July 15 to be considered for the upcoming academic year. If you are selected as a scholarship recipient, the scholarship award will be distributed directly to your college/university in two installments prior to the Fall and Spring semesters. Official transcript for the Fall semester (with a minimum 2.0 GPA for the semester) must be submitted to HighGround by January 10 in order to receive the second installment of the award for the Spring semester.*
- 2. For applicants who have not yet attended college: Have your high school send an official transcript directly to HighGround Advisors. Be sure that it arrives before the relevant application deadline.

For applicants who have attended college: Have your institution send the most recent official copy of your transcript, including the most recent semester, directly to HighGround Advisors either by mail, or by email through an online transcript service to <u>scholarships@highgroundadvisors.org</u>. Transcripts only may be mailed to: Bass Scholarship, HighGround Advisors, 1717 Main Street, Suite 1400, Dallas, TX 75201-4622.

- 3. Submit all paperwork by the following deadlines:
 - Fall Term: Applications and transcripts are accepted between June 1 July 15
 - Spring Term: Between December 15 January 10 (transcript only)
 - SUMMER SCHOLARSHIPS ARE NOT GRANTED
 - Late applications are ineligible
 - A new application is required for the fall semester.
 Your most recent transcript is required each semester.

APPLICATION FOR ERNEST I. & EURICE M. BASS SCHOLARSHIP

Do not attach photographs, third-party recommendations, or alter the application beyond completing the information requested. (APPLICATION MUST BE TYPED)

IDENTIFYING INFORMATION:

Name of applicant:

Home address:

Today's date:

Birth date: Last 4 digits soc. sec. #:

Primary email*:

Primary phone:

*Will be used as notification of award

Academic email (if applicable):

Provide the following information unless applicant is a returning adult education student

Parents'/Guardians' names & addresses:

ACADEMIC INFORMATION:

Last school/university attended (list city & state):

What college will you attend?

Classification upcoming semester:

Major/Degree:

Projected graduation date:

Address & telephone # of school's Financial Aid Office:

(If you are granted a scholarship, the address you list above is where the award check will be mailed.)

Application for:Fall Semester Only (graduating in December)Fall & Spring Semester

How many credit hours will you be earning?

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Upon whom will you depend for finances?		
Costs for next semester: Tuition:	Books:	Room & Board:
Do you plan to work part-time?		
Are you a past recipient of a Bass Scholarship Award?		When:
Please briefly describe your need for this scholarship:		

By your signature below, you affirm that you are in compliance with the Trust requirements:

Signed:

Date:

ADDITONAL INFORMATION: Eligibility is predicated on a completed application and an official transcript received by our office on or before the dates detailed below (application via email only). It is your responsibility to contact your school's administrative office or the Registrar and have them send the official transcript either by email if the university participates in an online transcript sending service, or by mail to the Bass Scholarship, HighGround Advisors, 1717 Main Street, Suite 1400, Dallas, TX 75201-4622. We will not accept unofficial copies of a transcript. When scholarships are awarded, funds will be sent directly to your school's Financial Aid Office to be credited to your account.

Deadlines:

- FALL: BETWEEN JUNE 1 JULY 15
- SPRING: BETWEEN DEC 15 JAN 10 (transcript only) No summer scholarships granted.

For further information regarding the scholarship, please contact: <u>scholarships@highgroundadvisors.org</u>.