

**Briar Woods High School
PTSO * Parent Teacher Student Organization
College Scholarship Application * 2024**

We are delighted you are applying for the BWHS PTSO scholarship. We are very interested in learning more about you and how we might help you succeed in achieving your future educational goals. Your comments will assist us in getting to know you better and evaluate your merit in attaining our scholarship for your continuing education. We appreciate the thought, time and effort as you complete the enclosed application.

The PTSO will be awarding one scholarship for Spring 2024 in the amount of \$1000.

The PTSO scholarship award presented will help defer college related fees only and will be payable directly to the school of applicant's choice. Awardee of our scholarship will be announced on June 11, 2024 at the senior awards ceremony. If you have any questions about this application or the process, please send an email to bwhsptsopresident@yahoo.com.

Applicant requirements:

- You must be enrolled as a current BWHS student (full time student, senior only);
- You must have an overall cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher at the time of application;
- Your parent(s)/legal guardian must be a paid member of the BWHS PTSO by April 30, 2024.

To be considered for this scholarship, the PTSO must receive the following items:

- Completed application (pages 2 – 3)
- Copy of all high school transcripts (non-BWHS students are ineligible for application)
- BWHS Teacher evaluation and comments (page 4) (may also be a mentor, advisor, coach, etc.)
- Personal statement (described on page 5)

Application and Checklist DUE April 30th, 2024

- Please submit your completed scholarship application, checklist and supporting materials with teacher recommendation to the Briar Woods High School College and Career Center office, Attention: Casey Wales no later than Tuesday, April 30th, 2024.

Applications are reviewed by a scholarship committee outside of the PTSO board on the basis of the quality of:

- 1) Personal statement and other information contained within this application
- 2) Extracurricular and leadership activities
- 3) Class Performance (grades)
- 4) Teacher evaluation form
- 5) High school courses taken

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TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY:

Applicant's Legal Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Parent Information:

Name: _____

Address and phone contact (if different than applicant):

Certification:

I certify that the information on this application is accurate and complete and of my own creation.

Signature of applicant:

_____ **DATE:** _____

Signature of parent or legal guardian:

_____ **DATE:** _____

* List previous attended high schools and dates of attendance:

*Are you employed (paid or a volunteer)? _____; if so for how long and describe your responsibilities: _____

* Which colleges or universities have you applied for and/or been accepted?

Applicant Name: _____

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Please check all that apply and the high school year you were active in the organization.

Club Activity	Specify activity, sport or name of organization	Positions Held	FR	SO	JR	SR

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Attachment (Form 1): Evaluation to be completed by a Briar Woods High School Teacher (or mentor, advisor, coach)

Please have this form completed and return to the School College and Career Center office by April 30, 2024. Optional recommendation should be emailed directly to Casey Wales, casey.wales@lcps.org, from Briar Woods High School Teacher (or mentor, advisor, coach)

STUDENT NAME: _____

How long have you known this student? _____

In what capacity? _____

Check the most appropriate (with 5 being the highest – OUTSTANDING; 1 being the lowest – MARGINAL)

	1	2	3	4	5
Creative, original thought					
Academic motivation					
Independence, initiative					
Intellectual ability					
Academic achievement					
Academic potential					
Classroom involvement					
Leadership qualities					
Emotional maturity					
Overall					

Please evaluate this applicant based on academic performance, consistency and potential. Personal characteristics are of interest as they relate to the applicant's academic ability and potential to succeed. Include any special circumstances relevant to this student's application that you feel are pertinent.

(Optional) Please attach a separate sheet with your recommendation and other comments.

BWHS teacher name and title (please print): _____

Signature: _____

Thank you for your time and professional judgment in evaluating this applicant.

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Personal Statement:

Please provide a personal statement (*maximum of two pages, double-spaced, separate sheet*) to present yourself in a way that your high school transcript, test scores and evaluation cannot, using two of the criteria below (four available to choose from). This is your opportunity for you to express your creativity and your own sense of who you are, who you want to become, and perhaps why we should consider you for this PTSO scholarship opportunity over others who may apply.

- Discuss a meaningful achievement, experience, ethical dilemma, or challenge you have faced and its effect on you and your future.
- Describe your short-term and long-term goals. Explain how your extracurricular activities relate to these goals.
- How would your best friend describe you and why?
- A topic of your choice (leadership, volunteerism, school or work-related achievements are suggested topics)

Checklist

Before you submit this application, please check that you have included the following:

____ *Application pages 2-3*

____ **Signed Certification page 2**

____ *Personal Statement*

____ *Teacher Evaluation – Page 4*

____ *Transcript provided by school counseling dept.*