

THE FOUNDERS MERIT

Scholarship

FOR THOSE WHO
WILL MAKE A
DIFFERENCE
IN THE WORLD

HIGH MOWING SCHOOL

INFORMATION

The Founders Merit Scholarship, High Mowing School

Inspiration and Purpose:

Beulah Hepburn Emmet, 1890-1978, was the founder of and inspiration behind High Mowing School. In April of 1942, Mrs. Emmet decided to transform the farm that was her family's summer home into a school. In Mrs. Emmet's words, it "was an effort to meet the deep needs, to answer the questions, asked by and implicit in the young. High Mowing's purpose has grown clearer and clearer as the years roll by.

"Little by little we realized that our task at High Mowing was to face and meet the needs of students, to awaken an interest in learning . . . so that they could stand on their own two feet and go forward into the world, directed and alive."

In honor of the spirit of our founder and in celebration of the school's 70th year, in 2012-2013, High Mowing's Board of Trustees has established the Founders Merit Scholarship program.

About the Founders Merit Scholarship:

The Founders Merit Scholarship recognizes academically exceptional students with excellent character demonstrated through their activities and community service.

This award is offered to students entering the 9th grade (or 10th grade for new students coming from a school where the program ends in grade 9).

Founders Merit Scholarship awards are \$10,000 for boarding students and \$7,500 for day students and are granted without consideration of financial need. Awards automatically renew from year to year as long as the recipient remains in good academic and social standing.

Award recipients are also eligible for Tuition Adjustment (up to 50% of tuition — which includes housing and meals for boarders) based on family need. A separate application for Tuition Adjustment must be made through the National Association of Independent Schools (www.sss.nais.org) by February 1, 2012.

Specific Scholarship Criteria:

To qualify for a Founders Merit Scholarship the applicant must demonstrate:

- Academic excellence
- Active participation in community service
- Hardworking, resilient, and optimistic character

In addition, the applicant will express well-roundedness through excellence in one or more of the following: • Visual Arts • Music • Drama • Sports • Other

Scholarship Application Process and Deadline:

On or before February 15, 2012, an applicant for the Founders Merit Scholarship must:

- Submit transcripts and supporting admissions materials (Parent Questionnaire, Student Questionnaire, and references — Math, English and Guidance)
- Complete admissions interviews
- Submit the application and supporting materials for the Founders Merit Scholarship

All materials should be submitted to Pat Meissner, Director of Admissions, High Mowing School, 222 Isaac Frye Highway, Wilton, NH, 03086.

www.highmowing.org

Questions:

Contact Pat Meissner at 603 654-9408, Ext. 109 or at admissions@highmowing.org.

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APPLICATION

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Applicant's Name: (First) _____ (Last) _____

Address: (Street) _____ (City) _____

(State) _____ (Zip) _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Current School: _____ Current Grade in School: _____

Educational Consultant (if applicable): _____

Application Checklist:

- I have applied for admission to High Mowing School and have submitted my: Parent Questionnaire, Student Questionnaire, Transcripts, References (Math, English & Guidance), and application fee
- I have completed my admissions interviews
- I have included documentation of my community service with this scholarship application
- I have written my scholarship essay and have included it with this scholarship application
- I have included my scholarship recommendations with this application
- I have included photos, video clips, or other documentation pertaining to my activities in visual arts, music, drama, sports or other

Please provide a signed statement from the supervising adult associated with your service work, verifying your participation and attesting to the contribution you have made through your work.

Community Service:

On a separate sheet of paper, please tell us about your community service participation, in 125 words or less. What community service work do you do? How did you become involved? How much time have you spent on this activity—and over what period of time? How has being involved in community service affected your life?

Essay:

On a separate sheet, please answer one of the following essay questions in 400-500 words.

1. Write about a time when you overcame an obstacle in your life. What was this obstacle? How did it affect you? Did it also affect others? Would you react to the obstacle differently now than you did then?
2. Write about a wish you had that came true. Was the wish for yourself or for someone else? Did getting the wish seem like magic or did you have a role in making it come true?
3. Write about a relative, teacher or a character in history that you admire. What is it about this person that inspires you?

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APPLICATION CONTINUED

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Activities at Which You Excel:

Please tell us about the activities in which you excel. How did you become involved? Why do you like this activity? How much time have you spent on this activity — and over what period of time? How has being involved in this activity affected your life?

You may include up to 5 photos, a video or audio clip of up to 2 minutes, or other brief documentation pertaining to your activities. Please include a narrative of up to 125 words describing why you included this documentation.

Please provide a signed statement from your teacher or coach, verifying your participation and attesting to the contribution you have made.

- Visual Arts
- Music
- Drama
- Sports
- Other, please specify

Please return completed application on or before February 15, 2012 to:

Pat Meissner
Director of Admissions
High Mowing School
222 Isaac Frye Highway
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