



Scholarship Guidelines & Application for the 2008-2009 Academic Year

The Foundation for Appalachian Ohio
P.O. Box 456, 36 Public Square
Nelsonville, Ohio 45764
P: (740) 753.1111 | F: (740) 753.3333
www.appalachianohio.org

Applications may be submitted to the Foundation beginning March 6, 2009

Due Date: Applications must be postmarked by April 3, 2009

Directions: Scholarships offered through the Foundation for Appalachian Ohio (FAO) have been made possible by the generosity of donors who help students such as you plan postsecondary education. Please review the following steps to complete the application process.

Step 1: Scholarships offered through FAO may have specific criteria developed by fund donors and/or the FAO Scholarship Committee. Please review the criteria set forth on pages 3-5 to determine the appropriate scholarships for which you will apply. Check ALL the following scholarships for which you are applying:

- Ora E. Anderson Scholarship
- Bellisio Foods Scholarship
- Lester D. & Thelma I. Ellwood Scholarship
- Ariana R. Ulloa Scholarship
- Wayne F. White Scholarship

Step 2: **Applicant Appraisals/Nominations (on page 10 & 11)** - Two applicant appraisal/nomination forms have been attached for your convenience. For the application appraisers you are encouraged to select a school or college counselor or teacher. If this procedure is inappropriate, you may select an employer, member of the clergy, job supervisor or other person who is in a position to evaluate you according to the criteria given. Detach these forms and deliver to your appraisers at your earliest convenience. **You will be responsible for collecting these appraisals in sealed envelopes and including them with your completed application.**

Transcript Information (on page 12) - High school seniors or students who have completed less than one full semester of postsecondary education must have the appropriate high school representative complete the transcript section of this application.

Step 3: **Complete a FAFSA** (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) Form and attach the Student Aid Report (SAR) with this application. For assistance in completing the FAFSA, contact OACHE at 1-866-Go-OACHE.

Step 4: **If any questions** are not applicable to your current situation, please attach an explanatory note referring to the questions by section. Also, you may wish to have your school/college counselor review your application for accuracy before submission.

Step 5: **You are responsible for seeing that all supporting documents are submitted in your completed application packet. This application becomes valid only when the following have been submitted, postmarked on or before April 3, 2009.** Applications may not be faxed and must be sent or delivered to: FAO, P.O. Box 456, Nelsonville, Ohio 45764. FAO reserves the right to process only applications found to be complete as of the application postmark deadline. *Your application will have the following attached:*

- Application including all required signatures
- Current Transcript of Student Grades
- Two (2) Applicant Appraisals/Nominations in sealed envelopes
- Student Aid Report (SAR) from the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)

Scholarships and Guidelines

The Process: The Foundation annually appoints a Scholarship Committee to recommend awards. Final approval is made by the FAO Board of Trustees. The decisions of the Board are final. Scholarships will be paid directly to the scholar's college, university, or vocational school. FAO scholarship awards may vary from year to year in the number awarded and the amount of each award.

Notification of awards: All scholarship award recipients will be officially contacted by the Foundation no later than May 31, 2009. You may check the Foundation's website at www.appalachianohio.org for a complete posting of all scholarship recipients by June 30, 2009.

Ora E. Anderson Scholarship

The Ora E. Anderson Scholarship was established to honor Ora Eaton Anderson in memory of his lifelong contributions toward the conservation and protection of Appalachian Ohio's natural environment. His many legacies include helping steward and contribute to the recovery of vast areas of woodlands in southeast Ohio that became the Wayne National Forest. Anderson wrote about the creation of the Forest as a young reporter in Jackson County, Ohio, during the Great Depression. Over his lifetime, Ora planted tens of thousands of trees, promoted conservation education and pursued his love of nature and the arts as an essayist, artist, and advocate.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Those applying must be graduating high school seniors or possess a GED, and currently live and attend school within the 32 counties of Appalachian Ohio.
- Candidates who pursue post secondary studies associated with the natural sciences, may include but are not limited to: forest and wildlife management; environmental restoration, natural and historical interpretation, ecotourism, and related-disciplines associated with protecting plants, animals, and the environment more broadly.
- Candidates who demonstrate overall commitment to environmental protection and conservation will be considered. Ethical character, extra –curricular activities, volunteerism and financial need will also be evaluated.
- Academic performance will be considered, but the potential for success as evidenced by an individual's commitment, interest and desire to achieve educational goals in the field of environmental sciences and/or conservation will be carefully considered.
- Recipients must be able to show proof of acceptance at an accredited vocational school, college or university.

Amount of Award: Scholarship awards and amounts will vary annually, depending availability of funds. It is anticipated two or more \$2,500 scholarships will be awarded annually. Scholarship awards are made payable directly to the institution of enrollment on the student's behalf for the purposes and expenses associated with tuition, fees, text books, and required supplies and equipment.

Bellisio Foods Scholarship

This scholarship promotes post-secondary education for all dependent children and grandchildren of Bellisio Foods employees. Bellisio Foods is the maker of food brands including Michelina's, FUSION Culinary, BUNdino's, and Howlin' Coyote. The Bellisio Foods fund awards scholarships for programs providing training and certification in various trades and fields of vocational interest, associate degree programs and four year institutions of higher learning.

Bellisio Foods Scholarship Continued

Selection Criteria:

Recipients shall be chosen on the basis of:

- A. character as evidenced by personal conduct, values, and attitudes and behaviors towards others;
- B. community service as evidenced by leadership, service and activities;
- C. financial need; and
- D. academic performance and potential.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Applicants must be dependent children of a current employee in good standing for at least one year, including biological children, legally adopted children, children placed with employees for adoption, stepchildren and any children for whom an employee is the legal guardian; grandchildren of employees, regardless of dependent status, also qualify. Employees may be at any U.S. location of Bellisio Foods.
- Candidates must be pursuing post-secondary education, either full-time or part-time, at an accredited vocational or technical training program, community college or four year college or university in the United States.
- Candidates must have at least a 2.5 GPA on a 4.00 scale.
- Assistance is not intended for pursuit of advanced degrees (i.e. Master's degree).
- Dependents and grandchildren of senior executives are excluded.

Amount of Award: Award funding will vary based on need. Scholarship awards are made payable directly to the institution of enrollment on the student's behalf for the purposes and expenses associated with tuition, fees, text books, and required supplies and equipment.

Lester D. & Thelma I. Ellwood Scholarship

Lester and Thelma Ellwood strongly believed in the importance of education. When the Great Depression took hold of the Cambridge area, Lester needed to leave high school to help support his family. Thelma graduated from high school and became Lester's partner in business as well as life. The couple operated Ellwood Orchards, Ellwood Tractor Supply, The Beverage House and Ellwood's Food Market. When Lester passed away in 1987, Thelma established a trust fund to provide money for college scholarships for Guernsey County high school students and after her death, the Lester and Thelma Ellwood Educational Scholarship was established to encourage and support access to educational opportunities. The scholarship serves to assist worthy graduates of Guernsey County high schools in pursuit of post secondary education.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Applicants must be a current or past graduate of Buckeye Trail High School, Cambridge High School, Meadowbrook High School or any other Guernsey County High School.
- Applicants must have obtained or will obtain a high school diploma and show proof of acceptance at a vocational school, college, or university.
- Applicants must demonstrate a strong work ethic and good ethical character as evidenced by personal conduct, values, and attitudes and behaviors toward others.
- An applicant's community service will be assessed as evidenced by leadership, service, activities and references.
- Financial need of the candidate will be considered.
- Candidates must have at least a 2.5 GPA on a 4.00 scale.
- Assistance is not intended for pursuit of advanced degrees (e.g. masters degree)

Lester D. & Thelma I. Ellwood Scholarship Continued

Amount of Award: Scholarship awards and amounts will vary annually, depending on availability of funds. Last year sixteen \$1,000 scholarships and three \$2,000 scholarships were awarded. Current (2008) scholarship winners may be eligible for consideration of future year scholarships. Scholarship awards are made payable directly to the institution of enrollment on the student's behalf for the purposes and expenses associated with tuition, fees, text books, and required supplies and equipment.

Please note, the Ellwood Scholarship is for any student currently purposing post secondary education – this includes not only graduating seniors, but those already attending an institution and those returning to school later in life.

The Ariana R. Ulloa Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established by family and friends in 2003 to honor the memory and life's work of Ariana R. Ulloa so she may continue to live in the hearts of all she would have touched with her love. Ariana was born in Mexico and moved to Athens in 1986. She began working for the Hocking College Department of International Programs in 1990, eventually moving into the position of Director. She was known for her kind and encouraging nature and is affectionately remembered by many students as "Mamá Ariana." Although she passed away in December 2002, Ariana's legacy continues through this scholarship fund, established in her memory by family, friends and students.

Eligibility Requirements:

- The scholarship supports students or international students who are currently pursuing a degree in international studies or a related field.
- Those applying must already be accepted or enrolled full time in an accredited vocational school or 4-year college or university program. Proof of enrollment is required.
- Preference will be given to those who demonstrate financial need, show academic achievement, are involved with extra-curricular activities and possess educational as well as personal life goals.
- Students residing in/studying in the 32 counties of Appalachian Ohio and meeting these requirements are eligible to apply.

Amount of Award: One or more scholarships will be awarded annually, depending on the availability of funds. Last year, one \$500 scholarship was awarded. Scholarship awards are made payable directly to the institution of enrollment on the student's behalf, for the purposes and expenses associated with tuition, fees, text books and required supplies and equipment.

The Wayne F. White Scholarship

"A proud son of Greasy Ridge"—that is how Wayne F. White, with a twinkle in his eye, often modestly described himself to others. But during his lifetime, he was also universally loved and respected as a homegrown, nationally recognized champion and friend of higher education throughout Appalachian Ohio and beyond. Wayne dedicated himself to helping others. A respected educator for more than four decades, he touched and inspired thousands. His enthusiasm, energy and optimism helped change the landscape of education in Appalachian Ohio – fighting for equal funding for rural schools and encouraging youth and adults to pursue higher education. As an Appalachian himself, Wayne believed deeply in the academic ability and potential of the region's students to succeed, no matter the place or the purpose. The scholarship was established by Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. (Jewell) Evans in memory of Wayne White, the Director of the Ohio Appalachian Center for Higher Education (OACHE) and a founding board member of the Foundation for Appalachian Ohio. The late Bob Evans, nationally-recognized restaurateur and philanthropist, was a long-time friend of White.

The Wayne F. White Scholarship Continued

Eligibility Requirements:

- Those applying must be graduating high school seniors or possess a GED, and currently live and attend school within the 32 counties of Appalachian Ohio.
- Candidates who show outstanding character, academic excellence and involvement with extra-curricular activities will be considered.
- Preference will be given to those with financial need who demonstrate the desire to succeed and overcome obstacles.
- Students with an Expected Family Contribution (EFC) of \$8000 or less are eligible to apply. (*The EFC is obtained from the Student Aid Report (SAR), from the Free Application for Federal Student Aid Form.*)
- Recipients must be able to show proof of acceptance at an accredited vocational school, college or university.

Amount of Award: The number and amount of scholarship awards may vary annually, depending on availability of funds. Scholarship awards are made payable directly to the institution of enrollment on the student's behalf for the purposes and expenses associated with tuition, fees, text books, and required supplies and equipment.



Applicant Data

For Office Use Only

Student FIMS I.D. # _____

Award Amount: _____

Mr.
 Ms. _____

Name (first) (middle initial) (last)

Date of Birth: _____ Expected Family Contribution (EFC)*: \$ _____

** Obtained from the Student Aid Report (SAR) from the FAFSA*

County of Residence: _____

Current Address:

(street) (city) (state) (zip)

Permanent Address: _____

(street) (city) (state) (zip)

Telephone Number: (____) _____ Cell:(____) _____ Email: _____

List Scholarship(s) you are applying for: _____

Family

Name of parent/guardian(s): _____

Permanent mailing address and telephone number of parent/guardian:

(street) (city) (state) (zip) (____) Telephone

Father's Name: _____ Occupation: _____

Highest level of education attained by father: _____

Father's address if different from above:

(street) (city) (state) (zip) (____) Telephone

Mother's Name: _____ Occupation: _____

Highest level of education attained by mother: _____

Mother's address if different from above:

(street) (city) (state) (zip) (____) Telephone

Brothers' and Sisters' Names and Ages:

1. _____ 4. _____

2. _____ 5. _____

3. _____ 6. _____

FOR BELLISIO FOODS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS ONLY:

Name of current Bellisio Foods employee: _____

Relationship of employee to applicant: parent grandparent other _____
(please specify)



School Data

High School Attended: _____ Graduation Date:(MM/YY) _____

Address: _____ (street) _____ (city) _____ (state) _____ (zip) _____ Telephone _____

County of School: _____

OR High School Equivalent: (specify) _____

Post secondary school(s) for which applicant's scholarship is requested:

(Name)

(Address, City, State, Zip)

(Name)

(Address, City, State, Zip)

- 4-yr. College/University
 - Community College
 - Vo-Tech
 - Other
- Accredited: Yes ___ No ___

- 4-yr. College/University
 - Community College
 - Vo-Tech
 - Other
- Accredited: Yes ___ No ___

Year in postsecondary program for coming school year: Undergraduate 1 2 3 4 5 or 6 (Graduate)

Major field of study applicant plans to/is pursuing: _____

Anticipated Graduation Date: _____

Estimated Cost of: Tuition \$ _____ Room and Board \$ _____ Books and Materials \$ _____

Student will:

Live on Campus
 Live off Campus
 Commute

Enrolled:

Less than half-time
 Half-time or more
 Full-time

My Status:

2008 H.S. Graduate
 Undergraduate
 Graduate



Financial Aid

Awards already received for the upcoming school year (indicate if awards are one time or renewable):

Grants or Scholarships and Loans

Pending awards:

Indicate other scholarships, grants and loans you are seeking for the upcoming academic year:

Date Received	Name of Award	\$Amount
---------------	---------------	----------

Grants or Scholarships:

Loans:

Date Applied	Name of Award	\$Expected Amount
--------------	---------------	-------------------



Personal Data

Describe your work experience during the past four (4) years. Indicate dates of employment in each job and approximate number of hours worked each week. Add additional sheets if necessary.

Position	Date from (mo/yr)	Date to (mo/yr)	Hours/week

List all school activities in which you have participated during the past four years (e.g., student government, music, sports, etc.). List all community activities in which you have participated without pay during the past four years (e.g., Red Cross, church work, volunteer work). Indicate all special awards, honors.

Activity	Years Participated	Special Awards, Honors, Offices Held



Personal Data

Make a statement of your plans as they relate to your educational and career objectives and future goals.

Please describe how and when any unusual personal or family circumstances or challenges have affected you, or your achievement in school, work experience, or participation in school and community activities.

Please describe how a scholarship would help you and your family.



Applicant Appraisal / Nomination #1

This form is to be completed by a high school or college counselor or advisor, clergy person, instructor, employer, job supervisor or civic leader, as appropriate.

Name of Student being Appraised/Nominated: _____

Student's Current Address: _____
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

Instructions to the Appraiser/Nominator: You have been asked to provide information in support of this scholarship application. Please give immediate and serious attention to the following statements. **When complete, please return to applicant in a sealed envelope. Please note:** This appraisal is not an indicator of student perfection, but rather an indicator of scholarly endeavor and the potential to succeed.

The applicant's choice of a postsecondary education program is: Extremely Appropriate Very Appropriate Moderately Appropriate Not Appropriate

The applicant's achievements reflect his/her ability: Extremely Well Very Well Moderately Well Not Well

The applicant's ability to set realistic and attainable goals is: Excellent Good Fair Poor

The quality of the applicant's commitment to school & community: Excellent Good Fair Poor

The applicant is able to seek, find and use learning resources: Extremely Well Very Well Moderately Well Not Well

The applicant demonstrates curiosity and initiative: Extremely Well Very Well Moderately Well Not Well

The applicant demonstrates good problem-solving skills, follows through and completes tasks: Extremely Well Very Well Moderately Well Not Well

The applicants respect for self and others is: Excellent Good Fair Poor

Comments: _____

Appraiser's Signature _____ Title _____ Date _____

Appraiser's Business Address (street) _____ (city) _____ (state) (zip) _____ (Telephone) _____



Applicant Appraisal / Nomination #2

This form is to be completed by a high school or college counselor or advisor, clergy person, instructor, employer, job supervisor or civic leader, as appropriate.

Name of Student being

Appraised/Nominated: _____

Student's Current Address: _____
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

Instructions to the Appraiser/Nominator: You have been asked to provide information in support of this scholarship application. Please give immediate and serious attention to the following statements. **When complete, please return to applicant in a sealed envelope. Please note:** This appraisal is not an indicator of student perfection, but rather an indicator of scholarly endeavor and the potential to succeed.

The applicant's choice of a postsecondary education program is: Extremely Appropriate Very Appropriate Moderately Appropriate Not Appropriate

The applicant's achievements reflect his/her ability: Extremely Well Very Well Moderately Well Not Well

The applicant's ability to set realistic and attainable goals is: Excellent Good Fair Poor

The quality of the applicant's commitment to school & community: Excellent Good Fair Poor

The applicant is able to seek, find and use learning resources: Extremely Well Very Well Moderately Well Not Well

The applicant demonstrates curiosity and initiative: Extremely Well Very Well Moderately Well Not Well

The applicant demonstrates good problem-solving skills, follows through and completes tasks: Extremely Well Very Well Moderately Well Not Well

The applicants respect for self and others is: Excellent Good Fair Poor

Comments: _____

Appraiser's Signature _____ Title _____ Date _____

Appraiser's Business Address (street) _____ (city) _____ (state) (zip) _____ (Telephone) _____



Transcript Information

1. **High school seniors and students who have completed less than one full semester** of postsecondary education must include a high school transcript of grades and have the following section completed by the appropriate school official.
2. **Students currently enrolled in college or vocational-technical school** must include recent college or vo-tech transcript of grades.
 - Applicant ranks _____ in a class of _____.
 - Cumulative grade point average: _____ / 4.0 scale _____ weighted _____ un-weighted

Student has completed the following (please indicate scores below):

- SAT Verbal _____
- SAT Math _____
- SAT Essay/Written _____
- SAT Composite _____
- ACT Standard English _____
- ACT Standard Math _____
- ACT Scientific Reasoning _____
- ACT Composite _____

School Official's Name (Printed)

Title

Date

School Official's Signature

Telephone

School Address

(Street)

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

Certification: *In submitting this application, I certify that the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Falsification of information will result in termination of any scholarship granted.*

Applicant's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Return Application - postmarked by April 3, 2009 to:

The Foundation for Appalachian Ohio

Attn: Scholarship Committee

P.O. Box 456, 36 Public Square

Nelsonville, Ohio 45764

For inquiries/questions please call: (740) 753-1111