

A.W. “BILL” JOHNSON TEACHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

A Scholarship Fund of the Homer Foundation

2011 Application and Guidelines

A.W. “Bill” Johnson served as a teacher, counselor, coach and mentor to many students in his 20 years at Homer High School. Bill was always one to help give a leg up to any student willing to work hard. To celebrate his memory, and his love of teaching, his wife, Liz Johnson, has established the A.W. “Bill” Johnson Teacher Education Scholarship Fund.

Award: Dependent upon availability of funds. Recommended award, \$1000.

Eligibility:

1. Applicant must be a resident of the greater Homer area.
2. Applicant must be a high school or home school graduating senior, or have achieved a GED equivalent.
3. Successful applicants may reapply in subsequent years.
4. Applicant must be pursuing a career in teaching.
5. No one related to the donor/s, members of the review committee, the Homer Foundation Board of Trustees or its employees shall be eligible for this scholarship.

Selection Criteria:

This is a competitive application process. Selection will be made without regard for race, color, national origin, gender or sexual orientation of candidate. Applicants will be judged on:

- a. completion of application packet
- b. personal essay
- c. two letters of recommendation from adults not related to applicant
- d. financial need based on the FAFSA Student Aid Report and other proof of need

Requirement Check List:

- Application Form
- Financial Status - FAFSA Student Aid Report Summary
- Personal Essay
- 2 Letters of Recommendation
- Financial Plan

Submission Deadline: The completed application form and all attachments must be submitted together and received by 4 p.m. on Thursday, April 21st, 2011.

**A.W. "BILL" JOHNSON TEACEHR EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP
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Personal Data:

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Name of Parent/s or Guardian/s _____

Parent's Mailing Address/es _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Statement of Certification:

I, _____, do hereby attest that the information I have provided here is true, correct and complete. I do understand that in order to participate in this scholarship I will be required to show proof of how the funds are expended.

Applicant Signature

Date

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***Drop off locations: The Homer Foundation
or
Homer High School Counselor's Office***

***or mail to: The Homer Foundation
PO Box 2600
Homer, AK 99603***

Financial Status:

Submit your FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR) Summary. (The federal financial aid form, or FAFSA, may be completed on-line.)

Personal Essay:

In your essay please address your professional career goals, involvement and service to school, family, and/or community, financial need, and demonstrated interest and connection the education field.

Letters of Recommendation:

Submit two letters of recommendation from adults who are not related to you, and who have an understanding of your personal and academic accomplishments and career goals.

Financial Plan:

The financial plan should demonstrate that the goals of the applicant are reasonable and attainable. Provide figures for year-one. The following form may be used as a template.

EXPENSES:

Tuition and Fees: _____
Room and Board: _____
Books and Supplies: _____
Travel: _____
Personal Incidentals: _____

RESOURCES:

From Parents: _____
From Savings: _____
From Own Earnings: _____
From Loans: _____
From Grants/Scholarships: _____

TOTAL EXPENSES: _____

TOTAL RESOURCES _____

List number of siblings, indicating if any others are in post-secondary education. _____

Have you filed for the Alaska Student Loan? _____

List all other financial aid applied for, and indicate which awards have been committed:

The Homer Foundation manages endowed assets for the benefit of the lower Kenai Peninsula, and administers the A.W. “Bill” Johnson Teacher Education Scholarship. Questions regarding the scholarship application may be directed to Joy Steward at the Homer Foundation, 235-0541 or jsteward@homerfund.org.



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