

Behind The Scenes Club

2021 College Scholarship – David Ballard Scholarship

Scholarship Description:

The BTSC (Behind the Scenes Club) is a volunteer organization, made up of parents of CHS Performing Arts Students. BTSC supports the drama and technical theater departments at Carmel High School. Each year, BTSC awards one-time college scholarships to Carmel High School seniors. The David Ballard scholarship is intended to recognize students who have participated in the CHS drama, technical theatre and film programs that plan to pursue non theater related majors. Seniors who have participated as performers or as members of the technical crew are encouraged to apply.

The number and amount of the scholarship can vary each year depending on BTSC funds available and the number and quality of the applicants.

The BTSC Scholarship Committee will review all applications. The Scholarship Committee will consist of BTSC Board members and/or other individuals as designated by the Board. BTSC members who are related by blood or marriage to a scholarship applicant are not eligible to serve on the BTSC Scholarship Committee.

Application Requirements:

In order to apply for the CHS BTSC Scholarship, you must meet ALL of the following criteria:

- Be a Carmel High School graduating senior.
- Have been admitted to an accredited, post-secondary school (university, college or trade school) or have applied and are waiting on acceptance.
- Be a member of the International Thespian Society.
- Have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher.
- Have completed or are currently enrolled in an advanced-level drama or technical theater course.
- Submit completed application by the end of school (3:30 pm) on or before the deadline of **April 16th,2021**.

Selection Criteria:

Each scholarship will be awarded based on a strong and complete application which includes the minimum requirements listed above and the following:

- Number of CHS theater department performances (as an actor or crew member), including Indy Fringe and Spring Musical.
- Number of leadership roles held (A “leadership role” includes: Crew Lead/Head or Crew Co-Lead/Head, Student Director, Assistant Director, Board Member and/or Officer of Rising Stars and/or Thespian Society).
- Number of Thespian points accumulated by the deadline of the application.
- Awards received for film, crew or performance.
- GPA (as calculated on your mid-year, end of semester report card).
- Positive contributions at CHS within the drama/technical theater program as recommended by the faculty.

How to Apply:

- Complete a BTSC Scholarship Application.
- Submit the application with all requirement attachments to Mr. Jim Peterson by the deadline.

Deadline for Application is Friday, April 16, 2021. Scholarships will be awarded at The Rising Stars Banquet.

Thank you!

CHS Behind the Scenes Club

2021 David Ballard Scholarship Application

Name: _____

Address: _____

Parents Names: _____

Parent Phone: _____

Parent Email: _____

Student Phone: _____

Student Email: _____

Required Attachments:

- This application and faculty recommendation form. Submit a recommendation form to a theater teacher to complete. The teacher will submit his/her recommendation to Mr. Peterson to be included with your application.
- A copy of your acceptance letter from an accredited post-secondary school where you will enroll during the 2021-2022 academic year. Or where you have applied to enroll for the 2021-2022 academic year.
- A list of all the CHS productions in which you have participated. Provide the production date, production name and your position in the cast/crew. Include leadership positions within those productions and USITT/ Rising Stars/Thespian Society, if applicable. Points will only be awarded for technical/crew participation in choir performances/concerts as these performances are required for all choir students.
- A short essay (no more than one typed page) explaining how you have positively contributed to the CHS Drama and Technical Theater Department(s). In this essay, explain why you are continuing in your theatrical studies in college.

By signing this application, I attest that I:

- Am a Carmel High School graduating senior.
- Have been admitted to an accredited post-secondary school (university, college or trade school) or have applied. (scholarship is contingent on acceptance)
- Am a member of the International Thespian Society.
- Have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher.

The following information about me is accurate:

I am primarily an: actor _____ technical theater student _____

Thespian points: _____

Number of CHS performances: _____ Titles: _____

Number of CHS leadership positions: _____ List: _____

Cumulative GPA: _____

I plan to pursue a major in _____

I am currently enrolled or have completed advanced level theater courses at CHS: Yes _____

Applicant Signature

Date

David Ballard College Scholarship 2021
Faculty Recommendation and Scoring

Applicant's name: _____

To be completed by the Scholarship Committee:

1. Multiply number of Thespian points by 10% = _____
2. Number of productions at CHS (actor or crew) X 2 = _____
3. Number of productions at CHS in leadership roles X 2 = _____
4. Number of leadership positions in Rising Stars/Thespian Society _____
5. Cumulative GPA score as follows _____
 - a. Greater than 3.75 = 20 points
 - b. 3.50 – 3.74 = 17 points
 - c. 3.0 – 3.49 = 14 points
 - d. 2.75 – 2.99 = 11 points
 - e. 2.50 – 2.74 = 5 points
6. Essay (0 – 25 points) _____

To be completed by faculty and returned to Mr. Peterson:

Faculty Evaluation based on level of contributions to program and any special circumstances.
(1 – 20 points) _____

Total Points: _____

Faculty Comments:

Faculty Signature: _____ Date: _____