Scholarship Application

Application Deadline: April 1, 2016, 5:00 pm

The City of Meridian will award four $1,000 scholarships to high school seniors planning on furthering their education at an accredited college or vocational education program in the fall of 2016.

RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:
Meridian City Hall – Mayor's Office, 33 E. Broadway Avenue, Meridian, ID 83642

For questions please contact Robert Simison with the Mayor's Office, 489-0530.

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City / State / Zip Code: _____

Home Telephone Number: _____

High School: _____

Month and Year of Graduation: _____

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

- Applicants must reside in the City of Meridian or its area of impact, or have been a member of the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council since January 2015.
- Applicants must be graduating in the spring of 2016 and plan on attending an accredited college or vocational education program in the fall of 2016.
- Applicants must demonstrate evidence of leadership potential through community involvement, volunteerism, school activities, and or work experience.
- Applicants who have completed an Alive at 25 course and included their course certificate with their application material will be given additional consideration.

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION:

Please identify the area of study desired. _____

Have you finalized your decision as to which school to attend in the fall? ☐ Yes ☐ No
(The scholarship check will be mailed directly to the school's Financial Aid or Scholarship Office. Please secure the address of this office.)

If yes, please fill out the following information:

College/University Name: _____

Office check should be mailed: _____

Address: _____
Campus Address

_____
City State/Province Postal Code Nation

_____
Phone Number with Area Code Email Address

If no, please identify the Colleges/Universities which you desire to attend:

1st choice:

2nd choice:

3rd choice:

EVIDENCE OF LEADERSHIP POTENTIAL

NOTE TO STUDENT: In completing the following sections, please list all your extra-curricular activities. It is important that you cite all community activities, special courses or classes (both in and outside of school), special projects, work experience, and other involvements / memberships which would aid the committee in determining leadership qualities. In addition please do not make reference to the school you attend or other information that might make you easily identifiable. Please submit answers to these questions on additional sheets.

ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL/COMMUNITY SERVICE:
Please give a brief description of all activities outside of school of which you were involved in related to community service. (e.g. Social Clubs, Religious Activities, Hobbies, Boy/Girl Scouts, Work, Etc.)

HIGH SCHOOL EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES/COMMUNITY SERVICE:
Please provide a list and a brief description of all activities in which you participated during high school related to community service. (e.g. Sports, Student Government Clubs, Publications, Committees, Special Projects, etc.)

PERSONAL GROWTH AND LEADERSHIP AS A RESULT OF SERVICE:
Please list and describe any volunteer work you have performed not associated with your involvement with an organized group mentioned in the previous questions. (e.g. food bank, hospital volunteer, United Way, Etc.)

ESSAY: Making a Difference in Meridian
On a separate piece of paper, please write an essay describing how you feel you have made a difference in the City of Meridian through your community service involvement and how it has better prepared you for your future. This essay should be limited to 750 words.

ESSAY: Goals and Ambitions in College and Life
In addition, the committee wishes to have as much information about the applicant as is possible. Toward this end, on a separate piece of paper, please write an essay relating any further pertinent information about your college expectations and career goals. This essay should be limited to 500 words.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION:
Please provide two letters of recommendation. One letter must be from a community or business leader (not a City of Meridian elected official, city staff, school administrator, teacher, or staff) and one letter must be from a school administrator, teacher, or staff. Neither person can be related to the applicant.

HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT:
Please provide a copy of your most recent high school transcript.

ALIVE AT 25 COURSE CERTIFICATE (Optional):
Please provide a copy of your completed course certificate.

DECLATORY STATEMENT:
I certify that to the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this statement is correct and complete, I reside in the City of Meridian or its area of impact, or have been a member of the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council since January 2015, and I will be enrolled in an accredited college or vocational education program in the fall of 2016. I understand that I will be disqualified from consideration of the City of Meridian scholarship if I do not meet this criteria and/or I fail to include the required transcript and letters of recommendation.

_____ _____
Signature Date