Ohio Forestry Association Memorial Scholarship Application



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Application Procedures and Guidelines

Origin - The initial gift to the OFA Scholarship Fund was made in memory of E. B. Miller; a third-generation sawmill man and untiring promoter of Ohio's forest industry. Mr. Miller began his logging career using horses and sawing lumber with steam powered sawmills. Before his career ended with his death in 1992, Mr. Miller had owned and operated sawmills in all four corners of Ohio.

Mr. Miller's belief in the importance of education is illustrated by his involvement in the development of the forestry curriculum at Hocking College. Furthermore, as an indication of his commitment to the forest industry in Ohio, Mr. Miller was chairman of the OFA Paul Bunyan Show for more than a decade.

In memorializing Mr. Miller with their gift to the Scholarship Fund, the founders believe the forest industry must continually strive to attract talented people to our industry. The future requires qualified professionals to address the industry's challenges. For these reasons, the Scholarship Fund was established to offer monetary assistance for forestry education to exceptional individuals.

Purpose - The purpose of the E.B. Miller Memorial Scholarship is to provide assistance toward forest resource education to quality students. Funds awarded may be used to defray the cost of tuition, room, board, and/or laboratory fees.

Grants - The awards are grants with no requirement for repayment. The size and number of grants awards will be based on the return on investments from the month prior to the selection being made. A minimum of one Scholarship will be awarded each year.

Eligibility - To be eligible for this scholarship grant, the applicant must be an Ohio resident, U.S. citizen, and high school graduate accepted for admission to an approved college or university, junior college, or technical college with a two-year minimum program in forest resource education. Current college students must provide evidence of good academic standing.

Selection - Selection of grant recipients will be made by the Board of the Ohio Forestry Association Foundation. Preference may be given to students attending Ohio Colleges and Universities.

Deadline - Deadline for applications will be April 15. Awardees will be announced mid May.

The Ohio Forestry Association - The Association is a private, non-profit organization founded in 1903. Its purpose is to promote the management of Ohio's forest resources and strengthen business opportunities in the industry. The Association has over 625 members representing a cross-section of Ohio's Forest Products Industry and related enterprises, organizations, educators, woodland owners and conservation-minded individuals. To achieve its purpose of woodland management, the association conducts several projects and programs throughout the year.

OFA Educational Programs

Camp Canopy - High school students from across Ohio attend this academic camp each year and are taught tree identification, silviculture, wood utilization and forest and wildlife ecology by a staff of professional foresters. These students are sponsored by garden clubs, soil and water districts, logger chapters, private and public organizations, businesses and individuals.

Project Learning Tree (PLT) - OFA and PLT mutually support one another. PLT is an award-winning environmental education program designed for elementary and secondary learners. PLT uses the forest as a "window" into the natural world, helping young people gain awareness and knowledge of the world around them, as well as their place within it.

OFA Paul Bunyan Show - OFA owns and operates the Paul Bunyan Show. This show is the largest forestry and equipment exposition in the Midwest.

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All applicable fields are required. Failure to complete all fields may result in your application being excluded from consideration. A. General Information Last Name: First Name: Middle: Zip: Address: City: State: Date of Birth: Phone Number: Ohio County: Email: a, **B.** Academic Information High School Attended: Year of Graduation: Number in Class: Rank in Class: Grade Point Average: Grade Point Average: Current College Enrollment: Expected Graduation Date: Major: Transfer Students Only College/University: Dates Attended: Grade Point Average: C. Activities (List school and/or community activities, achievements and honors) D. What are your goals and plans for a career? E. Write a statement explaining challenges facing the forest resources profession. F. Explain how you have contributed to OFA's mission. G. Personal Statement: Use this space to provide additional information relevant to your consideration for this **scholarship.** (example: Forestry/Conservation camps and/or special forestry short courses) I hereby acknowledge that the information submitted on and attached to this form is true and correct. This is my own work and written statements. Signature: If you need additional space for any of the questions, retype the question on a separate sheet of paper and attach to this form. Send Completed application to: 399 E Main Street, Suite 220 Columbus, OH 43215 Email: Info@Ohioforest.org