



Bellingham
DOLLARS *for* SCHOLARS

Scholarship Response Form

Your scholarship money will be paid following successful completion of your first term at the college of your choice. To allow Bellingham Dollars for Scholars (BDFS) to process your award (send your check!), you must follow the instructions on this two-page form – read it carefully!

WHEN & HOW do I get my scholarship money?

WHEN: All scholarship checks will be mailed to your college upon demonstration of completion of your first term of school.

HOW: Checks will be made payable to the college with your name listed on the memo line.

Included with this check will be a letter to the financial aid office of your college emphasizing our intention that the award be used to help reduce your financial need and not replace other grant assistance.

- If your college is a matching institution with Dollars for Scholars they have already agreed to this arrangement. We will notify them this summer about your scholarship. Further, we suggest, that you notify the financial aid or scholarship office that you have received a scholarship through a Dollars for Scholars program!
- Colleges will apply the scholarship money in equal distributions over the remaining terms of that particular academic year. For example, if your college is on the quarter system, a \$500 scholarship will be divided amongst your remaining TWO quarters (winter & spring) -- \$250 applied to winter quarter and \$250 applied to spring quarter. Each college handles this differently, so please check with your particular college's financial aid office.

NEXT STEPS for YOU:

1. Send by Aug. 1, 2009:

- a. The **Acknowledgement Information** on p. 2 of this Form. Complete the information, sign, keep a copy, and either mail or fax it to the contact information listed at the bottom of p. 2.
- b. **A personal Thank-You Note to your scholarship donor.**

Send to:

Bellingham Dollars for Scholars
P.O. Box 5213,
Bellingham, WA 98227

Indicate on the outside of the envelope the name of your scholarship so that we can be sure to get it to your scholarship donor! NOTE: your check will NOT be written until we receive your Thank You Note!

2. Send by Jan. 15, 2010 – After your first term of college:

- a. **Transcript** documenting first term grades
- b. **Proof of official registration** for 2nd term classes – this is usually available online through your college. Please print off the proof of registration and mail, fax or email to the contact information listed on p. 2.

Acknowledgement Information:

1. I, _____, acknowledge that I am the recipient of a scholarship in the amount of \$_____ provided by Bellingham Dollars for Scholars, a program of Scholarship America.
2. I am enrolling full-time (minimum of 10 credits) at _____ for the Fall 2009 Term.
_____ college name, city, state
 - **Special Circumstances:** If you are postponing college attendance due to personal circumstances, you MUST notify BDFS by letter requesting deferment of scholarship funds.
3. I intend to major in _____.
4. I agree that BDFS and its affiliated programs may use my name, the name of my community, the name and address of my school, the amount of the award, and the name of the postsecondary institution I will attend (my “Recipient Information”) in press releases, announcements, and other fundraising or promotional materials in all media (including the Internet), whether now known or hereafter developed, without limitation or condition, to advance the nonprofit objectives of Scholarship America and its affiliated programs.
5. I agree to permit BDFS to confer with my college to verify my continuing enrollment during the term of my award.
6. My ID# at the college will be: _____.

NOTE: This really helps to make sure the check gets credited to the right student at the college!

Student Name _____

Student Signature _____

Current Home Address _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email _____

Date of Birth _____

Parent Signature (for a student under 18 years of age) _____

Return this form by mail or fax to:
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