

Maple Hills Marlins Scholarship Program

2009

Why operate a scholarship program?

- The scholarship program provides an incentive for parents and students alike to consider sticking with the swim team into their high school years when the commitment becomes more difficult due to schedule conflicts, active social lives, and apathy.
- Our older kids contribute to the team by working with the younger students, serving as Big Buddies, etc., and we want to reward that effort. It says a great deal to teenagers when adults are willing to acknowledge their efforts and invest in them as individuals.
- Our scholarship program demonstrates the Club's strong commitment to kids and community, in addition to competition.

How does the scholarship program work?

- Each year, the club will award scholarships to current Maple Hills Marlins who have graduated from high school and will attend a university/college in the fall of the award year.
- The Board intends for the Scholarship Committee to award two \$500 scholarships each year, but the number of scholarships could be adjusted up at the Board's discretion if fundraising would support that decision. The scholarship fund will be allowed to build to cover lean years and possibly to award multiple scholarships some years if there are multiple qualified applicants.
- We are asking Marlins who will be attending university/college in the fall to complete an application and submit it by the deadline (see attached application).
- The Scholarship Committee will review the applications, rank the applicants using the scoring matrix, and make a recommendation to the Board as to which two swimmers should be awarded the one-time \$500 scholarships.
- The Board will approve the award and the recipients will be announced at the team picnic. The check will be mailed to the designated university/college by August 15.

2009 Maple Hills Marlin Swim Club College Scholarship Information

The Maple Hills Marlins Swim Club Scholarship Program is available to students who have graduated from high school and are accepted into and will be attending an accredited college or university in the fall of this current year. Applicants must be a current member of the Maple Hills Marlins Swim Club to be considered for this award. Applicants must have a minimum high school GPA of 2.5. To apply for this scholarship, applicants must complete the attached application.

Scholarship Submittal Directions:

1. Application questions must be typed (a separate file is fine), and in complete sentences. There is a 50-word limit for the responses to Questions 2 and 3, and responses to Questions 4 and 5 must be between 150 and 200 words.
2. Do not include your name in a header/footer or in your responses to the application questions.
3. Submit three copies of your application with the cover page (original only) in a sealed envelope, and include a copy of your last high school report card. By noon on Friday, July 17 when your application has been completed, please contact Marcy Rand, Scholarship Committee Chair, at 425-227-8393 or ograymar@msn.com to arrange to turn in your application package. Please also contact Marcy if you have questions as you complete your application.

Award information:

- The Maple Hills Marlins Swim Club Scholarship Program will award two \$500 scholarships (minimum if there are at least two qualified applicants).
- The Maple Hills Marlins Swim Club Scholarship recipients will be announced at the annual awards picnic.
- Funding will be made payable to the university/college designated on the cover page, by August 15 and funds are to be used for direct college expenses such as tuition, books, or room and board.
- Applications will be reviewed through a blind scoring process (scorers will not know the name of the applicants).
- Parents of applicants will be unable to participate in the scoring process.
- The Maple Hills Marlins Swim Club reserves the right to withhold awarding scholarships in any given year, or to award more than two scholarships in any given year.
- Applications become the sole property of the Maple Hills Marlins and will not be returned to the applicant.
- By submitting an application, you are agreeing to allow the Maple Hills Marlins to use your photograph for announcement purposes if you are awarded a scholarship.

**Maple Hills Marlin Swim Club
College Scholarship Application**

Applicant Name:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Home Phone Number:		
Alternate Phone Number:		
Graduating High School:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
High School Cumulative GPA:		
College/University Name (must already be accepted):		
College/University Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Student ID Number, if available:		
Phone Number of College/University Registrar for Enrollment Verification.		
Area Code:	Number:	Extension:

I, _____ affirm that all information provided in this application for the Maple Hills Marlins Swim Club Scholarship Program is true and accurate.

Applicant Signature

Date

Parent Signature

Date

This box for Maple Hills Marlins Swim Club Scholarship Program use only.			
Applicant ID Number _____	Date of Application Receipt _____		
Score 1: _____	Score 2: _____	Score 3: _____	Score Total: _____

