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MONTANA PTA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail _____

School Currently Attending
High School Or College/University

GPA

Date of High School Graduation
Or College Grade Level _____

Teaching/Education field of study _____
(i.e. – elementary, science, industrial arts, math, special education, library, etc.)

PTA unit at which the applicant or guardian is a member: _____
*(*Applicant or guardian must be a PTA member to qualify. Membership may be obtained on-line through www.montanapta.org under "Treasure State PTA")*

College or university you plan to attend and major in teaching/education:

When listed as a dependent on your parent's income tax forms for the previous year, please state combined net income (as reported on last federal return):

When NOT listed as a dependent on your parent's income tax forms for the previous year, or if you are over 21 years of age, please state net income (as reported on last federal return):

Please continue to Page 2 for instructions.

*Respond to the following questions and attach to application.
Scholarship award judging will be based on the following points system
for a possible total of 100 points:*

- 20 points - Financial need (*Question #1*)
- 20 points - Involvement with youth (*Question #2*)
- 20 points - Why you chose to enter teaching/education field (*Question #3*)
- 20 points - How you would promote parent and teacher collaboration (*Question #4*)
- 10 points - Recommendations
- 10 points - Academics (copy of transcript must accompany application)

1. Explain your need for a scholarship and how a scholarship would benefit you.
2. Please list any areas of your life (work, extracurricular activities, and volunteerism) that would demonstrate your support of youth in your community.
3. Briefly describe the reason and/or personal experience you have had that has encouraged you to pursue a major in the teaching/education field.
4. The Montana PTA encourages parents and teachers to work together. If you teacher, how would you promote this in your classroom?

I certify that the information given is complete, truthful, accurate and is my own work.

Applicant Signature

Date

Application Requirements:

Each packet must include:

- ✓ the signed and completed scholarship application,
- ✓ a copy of the applicant's high school/college transcript,
- ✓ two letters of reference; one of which is from a personal reference and one from a teacher or school administrator.

Applicants must submit four (4) copies of the scholarship packet to:

MONTANA PTA
Attn: Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 1269
Laurel, MT 59044

Postmarked no later than April 1, 2012

PERSONAL REFERENCE FOR:

Name of applicant

Please complete a statement about the above named applicant and **send to applicant to be attached with application for Montana PTA Scholarship**. Please attach this form.

Since virtually all of our applicants are well qualified, any specific information you can provide which will help the scholarship committee in choosing among the candidates, will be especially appreciated. Help us to know the applicant, as well as you know him/her. Write whatever you think is important or outstanding about this applicant's suitability for a career in teaching. Include other aspects of the applicant's life that you feel is important. You may use the following as guidelines:

- Length of time you've known the applicant and your relationship with him/her
- Applicant's personality (mannerism, appearance, general impression on others)
- Applicant's leadership skills (does he/she work well with others?)
- Applicant's teaching characteristics (teamwork, dedication to teaching ideals, likes working with youth)
- Community involvement (willingness to serve without expectation of award)

Signature of Personal Reference

Date

Printed Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Relationship to applicant: _____

Years known: _____

Occupation: Title/Position: _____

Please complete this form and a separate statement about the applicant, and return to the applicant. The applicant will copy and attach to their scholarship application which will be sent to:

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Attn: Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 1269
Laurel, MT 59044
Postmarked no later than April 1, 2012**

SCHOOL REFERENCE FOR:

Name of applicant

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Forms must be postmarked and received in the Montana PTA office by April 1st. Since virtually all of our applicants are well qualified, any specific information you can provide which will help the Scholarship committee in choosing among the candidates, will be especially appreciated. Help us to know the applicant, as well as you know him/her. Write whatever you think is important or outstanding about this applicant's suitability for a career in teaching. Include a description of his/her academic accomplishments such as:

- Has the student expressed a desire to work with children?
- Do you think the student will become a successful teacher? Give reasons:
- List participation in extra-curricular activities, honors, awards, offices held, etc.

Signature of School Reference

Date

Printed Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Title/Position: _____

Years known: _____

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