



High Sierra Striders
PO BOX 3778
Mammoth Lakes, CA
93546

January 25, 2011

To Cross Country/Track and Field Coaches;

The High Sierra Striders (Running Club of the Eastern Sierra) is again offering running related scholarships to graduating high school seniors (male or female) who have run cross country or track. The requirements are on the following pages. Please encourage your athletes to apply as soon as possible. Enclosed is a hard copy of the scholarship application. Athletes can go to our website: www.highsierrastriders.org to download the application.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email Andrew Kastor at Andrew@highsierrastriders.org

Thank you,

The High Sierra Striders Board



High Sierra Striders Running Scholarship 2011

In 2010 the High Sierra Striders Running Scholarship was created as a way to invest in the health and fitness of our local community, the Eastern Sierra. It is also a way to reward, encourage, and recognize our local running youth who achieve not only athletic excellence but academic success as well.

Scholarship Committee: The High Sierra Striders Board will make the final selection of scholarship winners. Scholarship funds will be distributed upon the receipt of evidence of enrollment in a two year or four year college for the succeeding academic year. Scholarships are awarded one time and are not renewable.

Eligibility:

- A high school senior graduating from a high school in the Eastern Sierra in the spring semester, 2011.
- Has participated as a runner in cross country and/or track and field programs in his/her junior and senior years of high school.
- Has been involved as a volunteer in his/her community.
- Has displayed exemplary citizenship and good sportsmanship on his/her running team.
- Athlete is planning to run competitively in a two or four year community college, college or university program during the succeeding academic year.

Selection Criteria: It will be the sole discretion of the scholarship committee to determine the best candidate(s) among those applying each year.

Awards: This year each High Sierra Striders Running Scholarship will be for \$1,000. The scholarship is funded through donations to the High Sierra Striders from local persons, businesses, organizations, and foundations and through proceeds from running events.

Deadline: Completed application must be mailed or submitted to the High Sierra Striders by April 22, 2011. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered for review.

Award winners will be notified at graduation.



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Application Requirements:

1. Complete the application form on the next page.
2. Provide an official high school transcript from junior and senior years in high school.
3. Submit two letters of recommendation;
 - a. One from a teacher, coach, guidance counselor or school administrator.
 - b. One may be from a person of applicant's choice other than family.
4. Write a personal essay telling us the following:
 - Why you think you qualify for the High Sierra Striders Running Scholarship.
 - Why running is meaningful to you, how has it affected your life and the life lessons you have learned.
 - How you have been involved in your community.

The essay should be between 400-600 words and typed.
5. If you are awarded the scholarship you will be required to submit your social security number to the High Sierra Striders for IRS tax purposes.

Send application to:

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Must be received by April 22, 2011



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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name of Applicant: _____

Permanent Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____

E-Mail Address: _____ Gender: M ____ F ____

Names of Parents/Guardians: _____

What high school do you attend? _____

Track/Cross country coach: _____

Current cumulative GPA: Unweighted: _____ Weighted: _____

What college/university will you attend? _____

Signature _____ Date: _____

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