

Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo 2008 – 2009 Scholarship Application

It is **strongly** recommended that you **print** this checklist and check off boxes as you complete the tasks.

The first step to completing the Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo's (the Foundation) scholarship application process is to determine your eligibility. Please make sure that for the 2008 – 2009 school year you are:

1. A permanent resident of Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Genesee, Niagara, Orleans, or Wyoming County.
2. Accepted for admission to an accredited nonprofit school in the United States.
3. Attending school on a full-time basis (a minimum of 12 credit hours).

Strong preference is given to those applicants who are **PELL ELIGIBLE** as determined by the Federal Government through the completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

The application for a scholarship becomes complete and valid **only** when you have done the following:

- I have applied for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as soon as possible by going to www.fafsa.ed.gov and following the 3 step directions. (Preferably by MARCH 1st so colleges can complete and submit my Unmet Need Form by the JUNE 1st deadline.)
- I have downloaded the Unmet Need Form from www.cfgb.org by clicking on the Unmet Need Form icon. I have completed lines A and B of the Unmet Need form, signed it, and sent it to my college or university's financial aid office** to return to the Foundation no later than JUNE 1st. (Preferably by MAY 1st so colleges can complete and submit my Unmet Need Form by the JUNE 1st deadline)
** If you are undecided between two schools, have BOTH schools fill out the Unmet Need Form. Contact the Foundation by JUNE 1st to inform us of your final choice of college/university.
- I have completed the Community Foundations for Greater Buffalo's scholarship application online at www.cfgb.org. Click on "Scholarships" located on the left side of the page. Follow the link to the scholarship application website.
- I have submitted my scholarship application to the Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo electronically via the web no later than May 1st.
- I have received an emailed confirmation of my scholarship application submission from eGrants (the scholarship application host website).
- I have sent my 2007 – 2008 grades to the Community Foundation by JUNE 1st – students must have at least a "C" average (76%) or a 2.0 GPA.
For high school students, one copy of your report card is required (showing at least 2 marking periods). A high school transcript **WILL NOT** be accepted, regardless of whether it is an original or a copy.
For college students, a copy of your fall 2007 grade report is required – this **DOES NOT** have to be an official transcript.
- If I checked "yes" to number 3, 9, 13, 14, 15 or 16 of the application, I have sent the necessary support documentation to the Community Foundation.

It is the **applicant's responsibility** to request and submit all support materials **and** to verify receipt at the Foundation. Applicants should call (716) 852-2857 shortly after **May 1st** to confirm that support materials (UNMET NEED FORM AND GRADES) have been received. Your call after **May 1st** will give you time to secure missing support materials before the **June 1st** deadline.

After **June 1st** applications lacking **either** the completed unmet need form, or a copy of the students' current year grades **WILL NOT BE PROCESSED**. All support materials are due at the Foundation, or postmarked with an official USPS mark, by **June 1st**.

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Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

County: _____

Number of years lived in Erie County: _____

Email Address: _____

United States Citizen? **If No, Please provide copy of green card*

Telephone: _____

Birthdate: _____ Birthplace: _____ Gender: _____

High School: _____

High School Graduation date: _____

PLEASE PROVIDE LOCAL PERMANENT ADDRESS IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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2008 – 2009

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Fund _____
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H.S. Code _____
College _____
Unmet Need _____

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS Award is specific to information in this section. Any change will void the award.

For the period from **Fall 2008 to Spring 2009** please fill out the information below

College: _____ School Year: _____

(must be a non-profit, U.S. Dept. of Education accredited school)

Other: _____

Major(s): _____ Minor(s): _____

GRADUATE STUDENTS Award is specific to information in this section. Any change will void the award.

For the period from **Fall 2008 to Spring 2009** please fill out the information below

Graduate School: _____ Entrance date: _____

Major(s): _____ Minor(s): _____

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR GREATER BUFFALO SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY?

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|--|------------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> College or University | <input type="checkbox"/> Radio | <input type="checkbox"/> Television Announcement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> High School | <input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper | <input type="checkbox"/> Internet |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Buffalo Urban League | <input type="checkbox"/> Other | |

REMARKS/SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES WE SHOULD CONSIDER:

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS:

Certain scholarships are restricted to applicants that meet specific criteria and *may increase the sources of funding available*. If you wish to be considered for these scholarships, please fill out all of the following which apply to you:

1. Have you ever resided in the city limits of Buffalo? _____
If yes, for how many years? _____ (This does not include surrounding suburbs)
 2. Current Resident of the Village of Hamburg? _____ Current Resident of the Town of Hamburg? _____
 3. Race: Black or African American Asian White Hispanic American Indian* or Alaska Native
 Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander Other (define): _____
- *If you are a child of an enrolled member of the Six Nations of the Iroquois Confederacy, please include a copy of enrollment card as proof.**
4. Religious affiliation: _____
 5. Do you have a condition that qualifies as a disability under the Americans with Disabilities Act? _____
If yes, Specify: _____
 6. Recent immigrant? _____ from: _____ Year of arrival: _____
 7. National Panhellenic sorority member? _____
Specify: _____
 8. Name of parent who is/was an interstate truck driver: _____ for _____.
 9. Name of parent who is/was a volunteer firefighter: _____ for _____.
***If you have a parent who is a volunteer firefighter, please include a reference from a guidance counselor that describes your leadership, extracurricular activities, and service to others**
 10. Name of parent: _____ or grandparent: _____ who belongs to a Masonic organization. If deceased, indicate month/year: _____
Name of Masonic organization: _____
Name & phone of secretary: _____
 11. Name of parent, grandparent, or great grandparent (only one name needed) who graduated from:
City Honors (Fosdick Masten) High School: _____ approx. date: _____ relation: _____
Kensington High School: _____ approx. date: _____ relation: _____
 12. Commitment to teach in WNY (any grade preschool through graduate level)? _____
 13. Please indicate participation in the following*: competitive swimming football baseball golf
***If checked, please include a reference from coach.**
 14. Are you a participant on a varsity intercollegiate athletics team or a member of a club sport program?* _____
***If yes, please include a letter from the Director of Compliance or the Director of Club Sports**
 15. Participant in Amherst Youth Hockey? _____ ***If yes, please include a reference from a hockey coach.** Number of seasons: _____
 16. Students who are legal dependents of teachers who are members of the Buffalo Teachers Federation (BTF) **must include a letter produced by the BTF indicating verification of the teacher's status.** Please fill in the blanks below.
BTF member name: _____ Relationship to applicant: _____
 17. I will be taking courses in insurance and risk management during the 2008-2009 school year. _____
 18. It is my intention to remain in Buffalo, NY after graduation from college. _____