Historic Lincoln Elementary School Built in 1914

Bartlesville Lincoln Elementary School Scholarship Fund, Inc.

HISTORY
The Lincoln Elementary School built in 1914 is one of the oldest schools in Bartlesville, Oklahoma, U.S.A. The school was closed in 1984 and was acquired by Service and Technology Corporation – STC, in 1986 when STC was founded as a consulting engineering firm.

PURPOSE
The purpose of BLESS is to honor and immortalize the students and staff of the historic school by providing scholarships for college education. It is an interest free loan scholarship primarily intended for average students from middle-income families even though others are not excluded from consideration.

ELIGIBILITY
• All students shall be eligible for BLESS irrespective of ethnicity, color, national origin, sex, age, religion and similar considerations.
• Education in engineering, technology, science and other subjects shall be the order of priority for the award of BLESS.
• Available financial resources and the need for assistance shall be taken into consideration.
• A minimum of 2.5 out of a possible 4.0 high school GPA or a post high school current GPA of 2.5 or more shall be necessary.
• Good aptitude and interest in the chosen field of education shall be important.
• Stability in the pursuits of goals and good work habits shall be prime considerations.

REQUIREMENTS
• Current transcript.
• A minimum of four letters of recommendations. Two of these letters shall be from school staff members familiar with the applicant and two from community members familiar with the applicant. All letters shall be from non-relatives.
• An agreement covering the loan repayment including appropriate co-signatures will be required.

APPLICATION
Applications for this scholarship may be obtained from the high school counselor’s office, from STC’s website www.stc-smc.com or from the BLESS Secretary at the address provided on this application. Completed applications must be submitted to the BLESS Scholarship Committee no later than June 1 each year. The application form appears on the back of this brochure. All of the required information must be provided before the scholarship committee can consider your application. Applications MUST BE submitted by mail (not electronic mail or fax) or in person to the address provided on this application.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS
Each year the BLESS Scholarship Committee will select recipients of the BLESS Scholarship. Upon receipt of proof of enrollment at an institution, recognized by BLESS a check for the award amount, up to $1,750.00, will be sent directly to the institution in the name of the recipient. The scholarships awarded may be extended from year to year for a period of four years, providing the recipient maintains a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.5 and remains in good standing with the institution attended. The normal cumulative award is $7,000.00 per scholarship.

The four year duration and the $7,000.00 cumulative total loan can be extended by the scholarship committee for graduate studies or under other special circumstances.

REPAYMENT
Two months from the time the recipient of the scholarship award ceases to be a full-time student at the educational institution, the recipient is expected to begin repayment of the award at the rate of $100 per month to the BLESS Scholarship Fund, Inc. until the award is fully repaid. Extensions for the initiation of repayment will be considered by the BLESS Scholarship Committee under very special circumstances.
BLESS Fund, Inc.
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Name: ______________________________ Telephone: __________________________

Address: ___________________________ E-Mail: _______________________________

Parents’ Names: _____________________ Telephone: __________________________

Parents’ Address (if Different): _______________________________________________

High School GPA (End of 7th Semester): ________________

   ACT Score: _______________________

   SAT Score: _______________________

College GPA (If Applicable): __________________________

Honors/Awards: __________________________________________

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Please discuss why this scholarship is important for your college education:

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Please list other financial assistance available to you:

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Name of the Institution you are planning to attend: ____________________________

Area of interest or planned major: __________________________________________

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Signature of Applicant               Date

Complete and return to the BLESS Scholarship Committee, 105 SW Penn, Bartlesville, Oklahoma 74003, no later than JUNE 1st. If you have any questions please call (918) 336-8161.

Note: High School GPA, ACT score, SAT score and letters of recommendations are not required for scholarship renewal application.