

2018
CHRISTOPHER POTVIN
SCHOLARSHIP FUND
APPLICATION
\$1,000

Do you know what the Christopher Potvin Scholar Athlete Fund is all about?

In 1987, a young teenage boy, Christopher Potvin, was killed in an automobile accident. This young boy was both a good student and an outstanding athlete. Each year the fund gives numerous \$1,000 scholarships based on the fundraising totals of that year.

IF YOU ...

- are a good student (B average or above)
- are a varsity athlete (not the "star" only a member)
- are a student/athlete who is respected and admired by faculty, coaches, peers, and the community ...

THEN YOU SHOULD APPLY FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP!

I like to think my son, Christopher, was all the above. That's why with everything else being somewhat equal (athletics/academics), character with good qualities will be paramount in our awarding a scholarship.

Christopher Potvin Scholar-Athlete Fund 2018

\$1,000 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD APPLICATION

Applicants can obtain a PDF copy of this application at www.ChrisPotvinFund.com

INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS:

- 1. All portions of this application must be typewritten or completed on computer.
- 2. The applicant shall sign the application in the space provided at the bottom of page 3.
- 3. Letters of endorsement from someone who has an athletic influence in your life (preferably a coach) and from the Guidance Department/Faculty shall accompany the application. Other letters from persons not related to the applicant may also accompany the application. These letters should relate to community involvement or outstanding recognition, etc. <u>Send as many as desired</u> it does help!
- 4. An official high school transcript shall accompany the application or be sent directly by the high school to the address below. The transcript completes this application for the scholarship award.
- 5. The completed application and high school transcript shall each be postmarked no later than May 19, 2018, or hand-delivered by 6:00 P.M. on May 20, 2018 to:

MR. WAYNE POTVIN - 94 DRISCOLL DRIVE, UNCASVILLE, CT 06382

If you need an additional day or two, please call 860-848-3643

- 6. Scholarship applicants selected by the Awards Committee, based on their application and transcript data, may be required to participate in a personal interview with the Scholarship Committee.
- 7. Scholarship winners will be announced on chrispotvinfund.com during the first week of July. Winners may be requested to meet with the Committee for a press release and pictures at a date and time to be announced. Scholarships will be awarded at Fox Hopyard in East Haddam, CT on August 12, 2018.
- *8. Method of selections: Each year five individuals are selected to singly and collectively choose the top 20 percent of the applications given to them. The Potvin family will then select the final number of scholarships to be awarded that year.
- 9. In completing your application, please have your "Letters of Endorsements" addressed to the <u>Christopher Potvin Scholarship Fund</u>. This seems to carry a lot of weight with the selection committee.
- *10. Please keep your possible contributors on page six to adults (families) not businesses. <u>This also carries a lot of weight with the selection committee</u>. This is our lifeline for continuing the scholarship fund. Please check <u>contributors list</u> on website so we don't have duplications.
- 11. Make sure to complete ALL PAGES.

Note:

- 1. Neatness and thoroughness is important in completing this application.
- 2. Complete and send your application ASAP. We are hoping to complete selections prior to school commencements if at all possible.

*Families of Youth Sport Teams (Little League / Babe Ruth) who parent potential scholarship recipients are excellent endorsements.

Christopher Potvin Scholar - Athlete Fund 2018 Application Information

APPLICANT'S NAME:			
ADDRESS:			
CITY:	STATE	Ξ:	ZIP:
PHONE NUMBERS: HOME:		WORK:	CELL:
EMAIL ADDRESS: SOC. SEC.#	AGE:		
GENDER (circle or delete one)	MALE	FEMALE	
BIRTH DATE: mm/dd/yyyy			
PARENTS NAMES:			
CURRENT HIGH SCHOOL:			
ADDRESS: CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
ANTICIPATED DATE OF GRADU	ATION:		
NAME OF LOCAL NEWSPAPER:			
ADDRESS: CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
Affidavit: I certify that, to the best correct.	of my kn	owledge, all the informa	ition contained in this application is
Applicant's Signature:			Date:

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Athletic Achievement (Includes Cheerleaders)

1. List the varsity sports you have been an active participant in including honors and awards.
2. How has participating in sports better prepared you for life?
School Activities
List by year
Academic Achievement
Please indicate the following:
1. High school curriculum followed: Honors, College Prep, Vocation, Business, or Other
2. Class rank/percentile.
3. SAT Scores.
4. Academic honors, prizes, and awards.
Please Note: The above academic achievements are very important but is not the #1 factor in awarding the scholarships. Your activities / actions have the largest impact on who will be awarded the scholarships.

Community Activities

List any community involvement, including offices held or volunteer work by year.

Employment

List any jobs or internships and years of employment.

Colleges/Universities

List colleges (and their location) that you have applied to. Indicate if you have been accepted.

<u>Autobiography</u>

Write a brief autobiography stating your career objectives and activities that have helped you prepare for your future.

Christopher Potvin Scholar-Athlete Fund 2018 ESSAY

In prior years, the Selection Committee put a great deal of emphasis on academic achievement in selecting the winners. Academics and Athletic **Achievement are very important, but "character" will be a** <u>big factor</u>. As I, Wayne Potvin, have to make the final decision, it becomes very difficult. Please use this opportunity to express:

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1.	Why you should be selected for this award?
2.	What or who is your biggest inspiration?
3.	What are some of the major problems facing our young people today? In 100 words or less, how in your opinion can we correct this?
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To date, we have given over \$475,000.

A decision was made by the Scholarship Committee that if we are going to ever reach our goal of awarding twenty (20) scholarships each year, we should start an Annual Mail Drive which would include teachers, coaches, friends, families, prior recipients and their families and ask them to contribute what they can afford to the Fund.

This has been extremely successful. We have received over 45 percent returns over the last five years, resulting in receiving on average \$15,000 per year. This, combined with our Annual Baseball Tournament, has resulted in our awarding twenty \$1,000 scholarships annually.

As in prior years, we have asked our prospective recipients to forward to us the names/addresses of people who you and your family feel would be happy to support this Scholarship Fund (min. of 6, Not Businesses). Each year this is a great help to the Fund. We lose approximately 20 percent of our contributors ANNUALLY for a variety of reasons. Everything else being equal, this help by the applicant is NOTICED by the Selection Committee. All names submitted will be held in the strictest confidence.

Also, this year, to show our appreciation for all people who support us, they will be noted in our local papers and the internet.

Names/addresses of adults for possible contributions:

Names and addresses of future donors are very important. We ask you and your family to first consider families of youth leagues (Little League, Babe Ruth, Freshman & JV School Teams, not coaches, as they are most likely to help us out, as it could benefit them directly in a few years.

Selection committee members are very impressed by the number of contributors some applicants forward to us. Do not be outdone!

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Note:

Our family goal is to ultimately be able to say that we have awarded a minimum of one-half million dollars (\$50,000 to go) in memory of Christopher. We hope that if you are selected as a recipient, your family and yourself (when you enter the workforce) will not forget us. Your applying for this scholarship indicates to us that you possess the qualities to be a big success in life. Good luck on your journey and do not forget to thank mom & dad!

Wayne Potvin