

Richard A. Ferrier Scholarship Fund

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO?

History and Purpose

A resident of Bowdoinham for many years, Richard Ferrier left a remarkable gift to his community through the Richard A. Ferrier Scholarship Fund...the gift of an education. Richard knew that there are many different ways to learn and that the journey itself is an important part of the process. His legacy supports Bowdoinham students in their journey and encourages them to consider the road less traveled.

This scholarship is for the “road less traveled,” meaning opportunities beyond the traditional school environment. Have you always wanted to take riding lessons? Do you picture yourself backpacking with Outward Bound? Want to perfect your soccer skills at a summer camp? Do you want to take dance lessons? How about taking up guitar? This fund will help you pursue your passion. *What do you want to do?*

Eligibility Criteria

Residents of Bowdoinham between the ages of 13 and 18 as of June 1 this year are encouraged to apply. There is a preference for applicants for whom a scholarship will make a demonstrated difference in his/her ability to participate in a program.

Awards

The number and size of awards each year depends on the number of applications and funds available. However, the committee considers this a partnership between recipients and the fund and expects the applicant and his/her family to contribute something to the opportunity. **Awards are not retroactive; the student’s program must start after June 1 of the application year.**

The committee will consider membership fees to join an organization (such as a golf club) as long as such fees are an integral part of a larger program of study. Membership fees that are not part of a larger project will not be considered. **The fund will not pay for equipment, nor Drivers’ Ed.**

Students seeking support for the YMCA Freedom Tour: please be aware that the committee does not make its determinations until after the June deadline. This award is not retroactive, if you are participating in the 2024 trip, we cannot consider your application. If you are seeking funding for the 2025 tour and are between the ages of 13 and 18 **by June 1, 2025**, please submit your application this year. The maximum award for this trip is \$450.

Recipients will be notified in June. Award checks will be issued by the Maine Community Foundation and made payable directly to the sponsoring organization as scholarship support for the recipient.

Selection Committee

Please contact committee members Jason Lamoreau (recreation@bowdoinham.com), or Jon Beede (beedej@link75.org) or MaineCF staff member Jackie Shannon (jshannon@mainecf.org) if you have any questions.

Administration

There is one application deadline. If materials, are sent separately, they still **must be postmarked** by June 1. Incomplete applications or those postmarked after this date will not be processed.

All applications and required information sent separately must be postmarked by June 1, 2024, and sent to:

Richard A. Ferrier Scholarship Fund
Maine Community Foundation
245 Main Street
Ellsworth, ME 04605
www.mainecf.org

Richard A. Ferrier Scholarship Application

Assistance will be provided to students between the ages of 13 and 18 (as of the application deadline), who are residents of Bowdoinham pursuing their artistic, academic, athletic, and vocational or life's passion outside of the traditional school environment (e.g., experiential education, tuition for summer programs or studies, or special athletic instruction). There is a preference for applicants for whom a scholarship will make a demonstrated difference in his/her ability to participate in a program. Awards are not retroactive.

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Name: _____

Age (as of 6/1/2024): _____ **Resident of Bowdoinham since:** _____

Date of birth: _____

Please indicate how you identify yourself:

- American Indian/Alaskan Native
- Arabic
- Asian
- Black or African American
- Hispanic or Latinx
- Native American or other Pacific Islander
- White
- Multi-racial
- Other _____

Address:

Street address or P.O. number _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

School: _____ **Grade Level:** _____

Street address or P.O. number _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

Contact: _____ Phone: _____

Name of parent or guardian with whom you live Their Email Address

Program you wish to attend Start Date Finish Date

Organization

Address

City State Zip

Contact Phone number Email address

1. Cost of program (w/out transportation or equipment) \$ _____
2. Financial aid from program/organization: \$ _____
3. Financial aid from community sources: \$ _____
4. Contribution from parents or relatives: \$ _____
5. Contribution from student's savings or work: \$ _____
6. Total funds available (sum of 2,3,4,5): \$ _____

Amount of aid requested (subtract 6 from 1) \$ _____

(Estimated Cost of Transportation: \$ _____) (Estimated Cost of Equipment: \$ _____)

Why do you want to do this?

List of school activities (attach additional sheet if necessary):

List of community activities:

List employment (including summer and part-time):

Position	Period of Employment	Hours per week
_____	_____ to _____	_____
_____	_____ to _____	_____
_____	_____ to _____	_____

I certify that all information on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Signature of Applicant: _____

We'd like to know about you. Please share with us, in 500 words or less, some of the following information: What do you like to do? What do you study in school? How do you spend your free time? What's it like living in Bowdoinham?

Required Information: (do not staple, please)

Please submit the information requested below printed on one side only (not front and back).

- ❖ A completed application form, signed by you and your parent.
- ❖ Your personal statement.
- ❖ Letter of acceptance from the sponsoring organization or, if such a letter is not available, a copy of the completed application to the program or a brochure or other printed material about the program.

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