



The James Beard Foundation Scholarship Program

Program Guidelines

ELIGIBILITY

The Friends of James Beard Scholarships

Applicants must be high school seniors or graduates* who plan to enroll or who are already enrolled at least part-time in a course of study leading to an associate or baccalaureate degree at a licensed or accredited culinary school (unless otherwise specified for a particular award). Preference may be given to students who demonstrate financial need. Awards are not renewable; however, students may reapply each year they meet eligibility requirements.

**Appropriate work experience may substitute for high school graduation for certain scholarships.*

All applicants meeting the above criteria will automatically be considered for the Friends of James Beard Scholarships that have no other specific eligibility requirements.

Students may apply for up to three (3) Friends of James Beard Scholarships with specified requirements by checking the corresponding box(es) on the application. Review eligibility requirements carefully. Applicants must meet the requirements as specified to be considered for a particular award.

Please see the detailed list of [Friends of James Beard Scholarships](#).

The James Beard Foundation School Scholarships

Applicants must meet the admission and eligibility requirements at a participating school to be eligible to receive an award. Awards are granted as waivers and vary according to the terms of each school's waiver. Unless specified, awards are not renewable; however, students may reapply each year they meet eligibility requirements. Applicants are encouraged to contact schools directly for information regarding their individual curriculum.

Please see the detailed list of [James Beard Foundation School Scholarships](#).

SELECTION OF RECIPIENTS

Recipients are selected on the basis of academic record, leadership and participation in school and community activities, work experience, statement of career and educational aspirations and goals, unusual personal or family circumstances, financial need, and an outside appraisal. Some awards require an essay. See specific eligibility guidelines.

Scholarship Management Services will select finalists and the James Beard Foundation will select recipients. All applicants will be notified in August 2009. Not all applicants to the program will be selected as recipients. It is the responsibility of each recipient to contact the school directly to work out enrollment and, if applicable, tuition waiver details once they have been officially notified in writing.

APPLICATION

Interested students must complete the application and mail it along with a current, complete transcript of grades to Scholarship Management Services postmarked no later than **May 15, 2009**.

Applicants are responsible for submitting two (2) complete sets of all application materials to Scholarship Management Services.

Applicants are responsible for gathering and submitting all necessary information. Carefully review specific requirements for any Friends of James Beard Scholarships or James Beard Foundation School Scholarships before determining that your application is complete. Applications are evaluated on the information supplied; therefore, answer all questions as completely as possible. Incomplete applications will not be evaluated. All information received is considered confidential and is reviewed only by Scholarship Management Services and the James Beard Foundation selection committee.

PAYMENT OF SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarship Management Services processes Friends of James Beard Scholarship payments on behalf of the James Beard Foundation. Payments are made in one installment on August 15, 2009. Checks are mailed to each recipient's home address and are made payable to the school for the student.

The James Beard Foundation School Scholarships are waivers granted through the school. Recipients should contact the school directly for information regarding verification of eligibility, terms of the waiver and application of the award to their account.

OBLIGATIONS

Recipients have no obligation to the James Beard Foundation. They are, however, required to notify Scholarship Management Services of any changes in address, school enrollment, or other relevant information and to send a complete transcript when requested.

REVISIONS

The James Beard Foundation reserves the right to review the conditions and procedures of this scholarship program and to make changes at any time, including termination of the program.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Questions regarding the scholarship program should be addressed to:

James Beard Foundation Scholarship Program
Scholarship Management Services
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Saint Peter, MN 56082

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