

2025 Earl Bane Scholarship Instructions

The scholarship recognizes and honors the entrepreneurial spirit, hard work and distinguished business career of Earl Bane. Mr. Bane was a driving force behind the development of Dairy Queen franchises in Kansas during the 1950s and 1960s. Mr. Bane's long standing interest in education teamed with his entrepreneurial involvement in business investments are the basis of this scholarship.

Ten \$2,500 scholarships will be awarded to seniors graduating from high schools in Saline County (including persons obtaining an equivalent degree at the Adult Education Center). The scholarship is renewable for up to 7 additional semesters, with a potential total worth of \$20,000 (\$2,500 per semester). The scholarship can be used only toward undergraduate degrees at colleges within the state of Kansas, and must be used within the 5 year period following high school graduation.

ELIGIBILITY:

- Be a lawful, permanent resident or citizen of the United States
- Be a student attending high school in Saline County, Kansas, or the Adult Education Center
- Have demonstrated a strong work ethic and enterprising potential
- Be scheduled to a) graduate from a public or private high school or b) obtain the equivalent of a certification of graduation (GED)
- If attending high school, have achieved at least a 2.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale
- If attending the Adult Education Center, must have a minimum GED score of 660
- Apply for enrollment at an accredited institution of higher education **within the state of Kansas**, as a qualified full-time student with a minimum 12 credit hours per semester

APPLICATION:

Strict adherence to the following procedures is required for scholarship consideration.

- Submit five (5) copies of the application and attachments.
- Arrange each set of documents in the following order:
 1. Completed scholarship application, including signatures on page 2
 2. Meaningful employment experience and/or extra-curricular activities attachment (required by Section C of application)
 3. Essay attachment (required by Section D of application)
 4. Letters of reference (required by Section E of application)
 5. Official high school transcript including GPA and class rank or GED scores (required by Section G of application)
 6. For high school graduates, composite scores from either ACT or SAT (required by Section G of application)
- Staple each set of documents in the top, left-hand corner and mail in one envelope by March 1, 2025, to:

Earl Bane Foundation
PO Box 201
Salina, KS 67402-0201
- Applications must be **POSTMARKED by March 1, 2025.**

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NOTES:

- Failing to follow the above directions will automatically disqualify the applicant.
- Incomplete or late applications will be disqualified.
- Winning applicants will be required to submit a photograph of yourself, and will be asked to consent to use thereof by the Foundation.
- No applications will be returned.
- A fillable pdf of the scholarship application is available at the Foundation website www.earlbane.org.

Payment Process and Taxability

Scholarship payments will be made directly to the college or university **within the state of Kansas** where the applicant has been accepted to attend.

Scholarships may be partially or fully taxable. Consult your tax advisor regarding your specific tax situation.

Renewal Process

Official transcripts of recipients will be evaluated after each semester, and renewal of scholarships is based on

- A 2.5 GPA or better at the college level (official transcripts to be submitted at the completion of each semester), and
- Continued enrollment at an accredited institution of higher education within the state of Kansas, as a qualified full-time student with a minimum 12 credit hours per semester.

Breaks in continuous enrollment will be considered on a case by case basis. Scholarships must be used within the 5 year period following high school graduation.

2025 EARL BANE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

SECTION A ~ General Information

Name _____ Date of Birth _____
Last First MI MM/DD/YYYY

Does the applicant have a valid Social Security Number? Yes No

Applicant Telephone: Cell Landline _____

Permanent Address _____
Street City, State Zip

Applicant Email address _____

SECTION B ~ Future Plans

What post-secondary school located in the state of Kansas do you plan to attend?

What profession or degree do you plan to pursue? _____

Will you take a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester? Yes No

When do you plan to complete your post-secondary degree? (MM/YYYY) _____

SECTION C ~ Meaningful Employment Experience and/or Extra-Curricular Activities

Of your jobs, high school, and community activities, identify 1 or 2 that are the most meaningful to you and tell us why on an attached page. Title the attachment as Section C Activities. Maximum length: one page, double-spaced.

SECTION D ~ Essay

Discuss a situation in which your work ethic, initiative, and/or resourcefulness led to a positive outcome. Title the page as Section D Essay. Maximum length: one page, double-spaced.

SECTION E ~ Letters of Reference

Attach letters of reference from 3 adults well acquainted with, but not related to you. At least one letter must be from a teacher, coach, advisor, activities sponsor, or principal in your high school and at least one letter must be from a person who is not employed by the school district where you attend high school.

SECTION F ~ Financial Information

Student's Expected Expenses (Per Year)

Tuition, fees, books, room and board, etc. \$ _____

Student's Expected Income (Per Year)

Earnings from employment \$ _____

Withdrawals from savings and/or 529 plan accounts \$ _____

Other scholarship(s) _____

 Committed (please name) _____ \$ _____

 Pending (please name) _____ \$ _____

Other grants (Pell, etc.) \$ _____

Other support (please name) _____ \$ _____

Loans \$ _____

 Total \$ _____

Parent/Guardian Information

	Parent/Guardian #1	Parent/Guardian #2
Name	_____	_____
Occupation	_____	_____
Annual income	\$ _____	\$ _____

Names and ages of Applicant's siblings and indicate whether they are attending post-secondary schools:

SECTION G ~ Transcript and ACT or SAT scores or GED scores

Attach an official high school transcript including GPA and class rank or GED scores.

- If attending high school, a minimum GPA of 2.5 is required for this scholarship, and attach composite scores from either ACT or SAT.
- If attending the Adult Education Center, a minimum GED score of 660 is required for this scholarship.

I attest that all the information on this application and attachments is complete and accurate.

Applicant Signature _____ **Date** _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ **Date** _____