

Esther Hample Scholarship

Bismarck-Mandan Business & Professional Women's Club

Purpose

Esther Hample was born in 1901 in Oskaloosa, Iowa. She attended John Fletcher College (now Vennard College) in University Park, Iowa, where she studied biology. Esther taught high school in Iowa and Kentucky before moving to Bismarck in 1933. While in Bismarck, Esther continued her education by taking courses at universities in Iowa, North Dakota and Michigan. From 1959-1977, she was the Burleigh County Superintendent of Schools. In 1960, the Bismarck-Mandan Business and Professional Women's Club (BPW) named Esther "Woman of the Year". In 1976, the Bismarck Chapter of the National Secretaries Association named her "Boss of the Year". That same year, Vennard College named Esther the "Distinguished Alumni" in the field of education. Esther was a member of McCabe Methodist Church, the Bismarck-Mandan Art Association, the Symphony League, the American Association of University Women, Zonta International and, of course, the Bismarck-Mandan Business & Professional Women's Club. She was also active in other organizations including the Red Cross, Easter and Christmas Seals and other groups serving the state and community.

Esther never missed a BPW meeting, even after she started experiencing physical difficulties toward the end of her 91 years of life. Her original bequest to BPW was \$1,333. Esther did a number of wonderful things in her lifetime and was well-respected. For these reasons, the Bismarck-Mandan Business & Professional Women's Club wants to reward deserving women with this scholarship opportunity. The Bismarck-Mandan BPW Club has continued to add to the scholarship fund each year from various sources but mostly through monies raised via its annual golf tournament.

Criteria

The following criteria must be met in order to apply for the scholarship:

1. Applicants must be female.
2. Applicants must be at least 20 years old by August 31 of the application year.
3. Applicants must have graduated, or received a GED, from a Bismarck or Mandan school.
4. Applicants must be enrolled at an institute of higher learning, a Career/Technical School, Hair Academy or other Beauty School during the upcoming fall semester within the U.S.
5. Applicants who have previously attended a college/university or vocational school must have maintained at least a 2.5 GPA.
6. Preference will be given to the applicants who demonstrate the most financial need.

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Scholarship Award Components

Two (2) \$1500 scholarships will be awarded to applicants chosen by the Bismarck-Mandan Business & Professional Women's Club Scholarship Committee. The North Dakota Community Foundation is responsible for disbursing the payments for the scholarships, which are sent directly to the school the recipient is attending. Further details regarding the scholarships are listed below.

The scholarship funds will be disbursed in one payment at the start of the fall semester upon proof of enrollment to the NDCF.

Application Process - Applicant must submit the following:

1. A completed application form (incomplete applications will not be considered).
2. Two, typed letters of reference from high school teachers, college professors, community leaders and/or employers.
3. Your most current transcript showing GPA. If you have not attended school (high school or college) for 15 years or more, a transcript is not required. If you are currently attending a hairstyling school, please submit an official document showing proof of satisfactory progress. (A document on the school's letterhead signed by the school's financial aid director would suffice.)
4. Proof of enrollment in fall semester/quarter/session of the college, university, hair-styling school, or career/technical school you plan to attend.

Submit application packet to:

Scholarship Committee
Bismarck-Mandan Business & Professional Women's Club
PO Box 4064
Bismarck ND 58502-4064

Deadline The application deadline is July 2, 2021. Applications postmarked after **July 2, 2021**, will not be considered. Scholarship announcements will be formally made at the Bismarck-Mandan Business and Professional Women's Club golf tournament lunch the afternoon of **July 21, 2021**. Scholarship winners are strongly encouraged to attend and are allowed to bring one guest.

The chair of the Scholarship Committee will notify the recipients by phone and/or e-mail. Because only women participate in the golf tournament and attend the banquet, you may want to consider inviting a female as your guest.

Name of person you will invite as your guest if selected: _____

IMPORTANT:

Please provide the name and address of the school where your scholarship check(s) should be mailed.

School name: _____

Office/department to send check to: _____

Mailing address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

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Full legal name: _____ Date of birth: _____

Home address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Phone (mobile): _____ Email: _____

School you graduated from or where you obtained your GED: _____

Month and year you obtained your diploma or GED: _____

School planning on attending: _____

Major: _____ Minor: _____

GPA: _____

Anticipated completion date: _____

Briefly state your professional goals:

Financial Need Information

Are you planning on working while attending school? Yes No

25+ hours
20 – 24
15 – 19
10 – 14
5 – 9

How many dependents do you have? _____ What are their ages? _____

Do you or will you receive financial assistance from a spouse, parents, or guardian specifically for books, tuition, fees and/or room and board? Yes No

\$1500 or Less
\$1500 or More

If yes, please indicate who is (will be) assisting you, the approximate amount that is being (will be) provided to you and if the amount is for a semester, quarter, year, etc.

Do you or will you be obtaining any student loans? Yes No
How Much? _____

During the fall semester did you receive any grants? Yes No
How Much? _____

List all scholarships, to include amounts, you expect to receive during the 2020-2021 school year:

By signing below, I hereby state that the information contained in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's printed name: _____

Applicant's signature: _____ Date: _____