

2026 Brandon W. Smith Scholarship Application

Thank you for applying for a scholarship from the Brandon W. Smith Foundation. Please read this entire packet before beginning. *Deadlines* and *other requirements* listed in this application are firm, so please plan ahead. **Late applications will NOT be accepted. Only typed or neatly written applications will be accepted.**

When completed, please submit the entire Application packet to brandonwsmithfoundation@gmail.com.

Contact Information____	
Name:	
Phone:	
eMail:	
Social Media:	

Please list any clubs, societies or organizations that you belong to that you want us to know about (e.g. Boy Scouts, Girls Scouts, National Honor Society)

Please list achievements that you think are relevant to this application (e.g. including but not limited to: Black Belt, Eagle Scout)

Volunteer Work performed (Summary). If required, attach an additional page:

I understand that this application will only be valid if turned in on time or I forfeit my chance of being considered for a BWS Scholarship. I certify that I have reviewed the information included in this scholarship application, and that, to the best of my knowledge, the information is true and correct.

x_____ x_____
Student's Signature Date

x_____ x_____
Parent's Signature Date

Contact: The Brandon W. Smith Foundation, at brandonwsmithfoundation@gmail.com, if you have any questions or concerns.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Type your responses.

- Accuracy, neatness, legibility, and following instructions are critical. *If you need extra space, attach an additional sheet.
- Feel free to duplicate this application on your personal computer.
- Letters of recommendation must be received by the application deadline



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Please visit our website for more info:
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Requirements:

→ Candidates will be required to complete an essay.

The essay should reflect their community service, participation in sports, leadership and sportsmanship.
Or

The candidate can share with us a personal story about a challenge that they have encountered in their life

→ Two letters of recommendation will be required. The letters must come from a coach, school, employer, a religious organization, a volunteer organization or a youth organization. Both letters must not be from the same type of reference.

Plan to submit early so we can alert you to any missing documentation. We will alert you if you are missing any supporting documentation 2 weeks prior to the due date.

Eligibility for the BWSF scholarships:

- Candidates must be a current High School student, junior year or above.
- Candidates must plan on attending an accredited post-secondary school.
- Relatives of candidates may not participate in the selection process.
- Candidates must reside in NY, NJ or CT and bowl in a USBC sanctioned league.
- Previous scholarship winners are not eligible.

Process for determining scholarship winners:

- Application deadline is May 15th
- Candidates will be required to complete this application.
- Candidates will be evaluated based on application, essay and letters of recommendation
- Financial need will not be a factor.
- The Smith family has the discretion to award additional winners

Scholarships:

- The number of scholarships awarded annually will be determined by the BWSF Board of Directors.
- The amount of each scholarship will be a minimum of \$500. The amount of each award will be determined by the BWSF Board of Directors.
- Scholarship funds will be deposited into the recipient's SMART account. If a winner does not have a SMART account, one will be set up for him/her.
- Winners will be announced on or about May 31st. The scholarship will be awarded at the annual BWSF awards picnic in June.



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