



2010 JOHN W. AND MARY D. NICHOLS OKLAHOMA HERITAGE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Eligibility for Scholarship

Students in the final semester of their senior year in high school in Oklahoma may be considered for this scholarship. One student will be selected annually to receive this scholarship. Nominations will be reviewed and the finalists will be forwarded to the Nichols Family to make the final selection. The names of the finalists will not be released.

Terms of the Scholarship

This scholarship will be in the amount of \$10,000, to be dispersed over four years at \$2,500 per year. The recipient's academic performance will be reviewed annually by the Association. To qualify for scholarship renewal, the recipient must have been a full-time student during the previous academic year and must have been listed on the Dean's Honor Roll after the spring semester. If the institution does not have a Dean's Honor Roll, an equivalent recognition, to be determined by the Association, must be attained by the student. Scholarships for students who fail to meet these standards on an annual basis will be terminated. Students will not be restricted in the selection of major courses of study, and the scholarship may be used at any institution of higher education in Oklahoma.

Criteria for Scholarship

This scholarship primarily will be based on the student's demonstrated knowledge and appreciation of Oklahoma history and geography. All of the student's activities from the time they entered school as related to these subjects will be considered. In addition, overall academic achievement, citizenship, and leadership will be reviewed. Approximately 75% of the evaluation will be based on the Oklahoma history and geography criteria.

Nomination Procedure

Students may be nominated for this scholarship by teachers, administrators, or any other responsible adult not related to the student. All recipients must commit in good faith to attend the Annual Membership Meeting and Awards Luncheon of the Oklahoma Heritage Association held in March. This form should be completed as fully as possible in making the nomination. In addition, the form may be accompanied a letter not to exceed one page. The letter, nomination form, and the items outlined below must be sent to the Nichols Scholarship Committee, Oklahoma Heritage Association, 1400 Classen Drive, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 73106. The Association must receive the nomination form by the close of business on Friday, March 5, 2010.

Additional Items To Be Included With The Nomination

In addition to the above, the nomination must include:

- 1) *A copy of the student's ACT scores and SAT scores. If a student has not taken one or both of these exams, a statement explaining why the student has not taken the exam(s) should be sent with the nomination.*
- 2) *An official copy of the student's transcript beginning with the 9th grade.*
- 3) *A letter from the student including:*
 - ◆ *The college/university the student plans to attend.*
 - ◆ *Major or general field of study.*
 - ◆ *Plans following college.*
- 4) *A photo of the student that could be used in a press release.*

NOMINATION FORM

JOHN W. AND MARY D. NICHOLS OKLAHOMA HERITAGE SCHOLARSHIP

NOMINEE'S HOME ADDRESS:

Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

Address

City

State

Zip Code

Home Telephone

NOMINEE'S SCHOOL:

School

School Telephone

FATHER/GUARDIAN:

Last Name

First Name

Relationship

Address

City

State

Zip Code

Occupation

Daytime Telephone

MOTHER/GUARDIAN:

Last Name

First Name

Relationship

Address

City

State

Zip Code

Occupation

Daytime Telephone

PERSON SUBMITTING NOMINATION:

Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

Address

City

State

Zip Code

Home Telephone

Relationship to Nominee

Activities and Achievements Related to Oklahoma History and Geography

In the space below list every relevant activity and achievement of the student relating in some manner to Oklahoma history and geography from the time they began school to the present. Examples of such activities could be participation in the Oklahoma Heritage Poster Contest as an elementary student, volunteer work at the local historical society, participation in History Day activities with projects with Oklahoma themes, winning or placing in Oklahoma history in scholastic meets, success in the Oklahoma Heritage Essay Competition, and success in the Oklahoma Heritage Scholarship Competition either at the county or state level. There are many ways in which students may have demonstrated their interest and knowledge as related to Oklahoma's history and geography, including many that we may not have anticipated. Nominators should list everything that they may deem to be relevant.

Information Regarding Overall Academic Achievement, Citizenship, and Leadership

In this space please note overall academic achievement of the student as well as any demonstrated characteristics of good citizenship and leadership potential. For example, the student's overall grade point average, any scholastic awards or recognition not mentioned above, service in leadership roles, etc., may be listed here.