



2016-2017 Scholarship Application

Education Fund of Northern Nevada (EFNN) is a Nevada non-profit corporation which was formed by a group of Nevada businessmen for the express purpose of soliciting donations and providing scholarships as authorized under the provisions of the Nevada Educational Choice Scholarship Program (NECSP). The law governing the NECSP allows businesses to contribute their Nevada Modified Business Tax to a qualified Scholarship Grant Organization approved by the State of Nevada Department of Education. The Education Fund of Northern Nevada is one of the Scholarship Grant Organizations in Nevada.

EFNN is also a qualified charitable organization pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and as such, contributions made to EFNN are deductible for federal tax purposes as charitable contributions. All businesses making contributions to EFNN should consult their individual accountants or other tax professionals regarding the specific tax consequences of contributions to EFNN.

What makes Education Fund of Northern Nevada different is that the board of directors, administrators, accountants, and office staff are all from Nevada. Our office is in Reno, Nevada and all our people are part of the local and State community. We understand the need for private education in The State of Nevada.

EFNN Scholarship Criteria and Procedures

EFNN Scholarship grants will be made in accordance with Nevada state law and on the basis of objective and nondiscriminatory criteria. The procedure through which scholarship recipients (“Students”) will be selected is as follows:

1. EFNN’s scholarship committee will review completed scholarship applications received by EFNN. An application for a scholarship grant is not considered completed until all information requested below has been received by the scholarship committee and the Applicant and/or Student has completed the required interview (via phone or in person).

2. The general criteria which will be considered by the Scholarship Committee in awarding scholarships on an objective and nondiscriminatory basis will include, but will not necessarily be limited to, the following:
 - a. financial need;
 - b. recommendations from instructors and other third parties;
 - c. prior academic performance;
 - d. extracurricular activities and community service; and

d. the conclusions drawn by the Scholarship Committee from written responses to the questions listed at the end of this application and from personal interviews (via phone or in person), as to the potential recipient’s motivation, character, ability and potential.

With respect to financial need, as required by Nevada law, scholarships will be awarded only to individuals who are members of a household that has household income that is not more than three hundred percent (300%) of the federally designated level signifying poverty. **Please do not submit an application unless you reasonably believe your household income is below the level that applies to you as EFNN cannot award scholarships to students whose income is above the applicable level.** For the 2016-2017 school year, the federally designated levels signifying poverty and the amount equal to 300% of each level are as follows:

Household Size	Federal Poverty Guidelines (Annual)	300% of Federal Poverty Guideline Amount
1	\$11,770	\$35,310
2	\$15,930	\$47,790
3	\$20,090	\$60,270
4	\$24,250	\$72,750
5	\$28,410	\$85,230
6	\$32,570	\$97,710
7	\$36,730	\$110,190
8	\$40,890	\$122,670
For each additional family member add	\$4,160	\$12,480

Household income is determined under the US Department of Agriculture’s Income Eligibility Guidelines for qualification for free and reduced-priced meals and includes for all Household Members, the sum of the following: (a) monetary compensation for services, including wages, salary, commissions or fees; (b) net income from non-farm self-employment; (c) net income from farm self-employment; (d) Social Security; (e) dividends or interest on savings bonds or income from estates or trusts; (f) net rental income; (g) public assistance or welfare payments; (h) unemployment compensation; (i) government civilian employee or military retirement, or pensions or veterans payments; (j) private pensions or annuities; (k) alimony or child support payments; (l) regular contributions from persons not living in the household; (m) net royalties; and (n) other cash income, such as amounts received or withdrawn from any source including savings, investments, trust accounts and other resources. Household Member means anyone who is living with you and shares income and expenses, even if not related.

The amount of each scholarship awarded to a Student for any fiscal year cannot exceed the maximum amount authorized by Nevada law. For the 2016-2017 school year, this amount is \$7,755. All scholarship grants will be paid by EFNN directly to the Nevada school selected by the Student’s parent or guardian for attendance.

3. EFNN may award scholarships for attendance at an elementary, junior high, high school or other qualified educational institution on an annual basis. Each recipient must reapply each year, however, renewal applicants will be given priority in future years presuming the recipient continues to satisfy all of the requirements of EFNN, Nevada state law and the applicable Nevada school. EFNN intends to obtain reports from the Student’s school to determine the Student’s performance at the school for which the scholarship grant was awarded.

Qualified applicants will receive awarded grants in the order in which completed applications are received by EFNN, subject to the following exceptions which are in addition to the priority given to renewal applicants as described above.

- (a) Siblings of pupils already receiving grants shall have priority in receiving grants.
- (b) If completed applications are received and accepted on the same day and there is an insufficient number of grants to meet all applications, priority shall be given to:
 - (i) Applicants from a household with a lower household income; and
 - (ii) As to applicants who are enrolled in a public school receiving the lowest rating on the report of the statewide system of accountability published by the Nevada Department of Education on its internet website.

Thank you for choosing to Education Fund of Northern Nevada to facilitate your “Nevada Choice”.

PLEASE RETURN THE COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:

**Education Fund of Northern Nevada
Attn: Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 10480
Reno, NV 89510**

Applications must be received at the above address by June 1st, 2016!
Applications will not be accepted in person or via email



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

1. **REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION:** All of the following must be provided for each Household Member of the Student. **PLEASE NOTE: IF THE STUDENT CURRENTLY QUALIFIES FOR FREE OR REDUCED PRICE MEALS OR MILK, YOU MAY PROVIDE PROOF OF THAT QUALIFICATION IN LIEU OF ANY OTHER DOCUMENTATION REQUESTED BELOW.**
 - (a) A tax transcript for the most recent year as to which a federal income tax return has been filed. This must be obtained from the Internal Revenue Service via its website (irs.gov), or via phone.
 - (b) A copy of your most recent Federal Form 1040, 1040A or 1040-EZ U.S. Individual Income Tax Return.
 - (c) If you have not filed your Federal Income Tax Return for 2015, a copy of your filed Application for Extension of Time to File U.S. Federal Income Tax Return.
 - (d) Copies of all 2015 W-2 Copies of all 2015 W-2 Wage and Tax Statements. If you are applying before you have received all the 2015 W-2 Wage and Tax Statements, please submit them as soon as possible.
 - (e) Copies of all 2015 Form 1099s.
 - (f) Copies of all supporting tax schedules if you have income/loss from any of the following as to your most recently filed form 1040, 1040A or 1040-EZ that you are providing in response to item (a), above:
 - a. Business - (Form 1040 Line 12) send Schedule C or C-EZ and Form 4562 Depreciation and Amortization
 - b. Farm - (Form 1040 Line 18) send Schedule F and Form 4562 Depreciation and Amortization
 - c. Rental Property - (Form 1040 Line 17) send Schedule E (page 1)
 - d. S-Corporation - (Form 1040 Line 17) send Schedule E (page 2), Form 1120S (4 pages), Schedule K-1 and Form 8825
 - e. Partnership - (Form 1040 Line 17) send Schedule E (page 2), Form 1065 (5 pages), Schedule K-1 and Form 8825
 - f. Estates and Trusts - (Form 1040 Line 17) send Schedule E (page 2), Form 1041 and Schedule K-1

NOTE: If you file a tax return but do not have W-2 wages because you are self-employed, you may be required to submit a copy of your 2015 Federal Form 1040 Tax Return before your application is considered complete.

(g) Provide supporting documentation for each category of Non-Taxable Income listed in the Schedule provided at Item III. in the attached Application Information Form.

(h) Transcript from the Student's most recent elementary, middle or high school.

In addition to the above, please provide the additional information requested below which the scholarship committee will use in assessing applicants:

Resume of Activities

School participation in athletics, student government, clubs or services:

Community Service:

Honors and Awards:

Please provide answers to each of the following questions. Your response provides the scholarship committee a picture of who you are, so please provide detail.

What does a private school education mean to you?

Will you still attend a private school even if you do not receive the scholarship?

Yes

No

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Application Information

Name and Phone Number of School Student Desires to Attend if Grant Awarded:

Date

School:

Phone Number:

Name and Phone Number of Student's Current School (if different than above):

School:

Phone Number:

I. STUDENT INFORMATION

Last Name

First Name

M.I.

Birth Date

Ethnicity(optional)

Gender

Email Address (optional)

Grade level For Which Scholarship Requested

Have you previously been awarded a scholarship
by Education Fund of Northern Nevada?

If yes, list year(s)

Yes

No

Student Current Residence Information

Street Address

Street Address Line 2

City

State

Zip Code

Home Phone Number

Cell Phone Number

Primary Residence Information

(if different from above)

Street Address

Street Address Line 2

City

State

Zip Code

II. PARENT/GUARDIAN AND HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION

Last Name

First Name

M.I.

Social Security Number

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)

Street Address

Street Address Line 2

City

State

Zip Code

Home Phone Number

Cell Phone Number

E-Mail Address

Marital Status

Relationship to Student

Occupation

Employer

Religious Affiliation (optional)

Another Co-Applicant Parent or Guardian is living in my household.

Yes

No

Parent or Guardian Information - Co-Applicant

Last Name

First Name

M.I.

Social Security Number

Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY)

Primary Phone Number

Secondary Phone Number

E-Mail Address

Marital Status

Relationship to Student

Occupation

Employer

Religious Affiliation (optional)

Household Information

Number Household Members

(any person living with you and sharing income and expenses, even if not related)

Names of Household Members

Relationship to Student

III. NON-TAXABLE INCOME

List total amounts (annually) for all household members listed above that is received for each type of non-taxable income:

A. Child Support Received

B. Worker's Compensation

C. Social Security or Disability
Benefits not taxed

D. Welfare and/or Aid for Families
with Dependent Children (AFDC/ADC)

D. Temporary Assistance for Needy
Families (TANF)

E. Other Non-Taxable Income

IV. OTHER TUITION ASSISTANCE OR SUPPORT

List the Amounts of all other forms of Tuition or other Educational Support or Assistance the Student will Receive or is Expected to Receive.

A. Financial Aid or Tuition Assistance from School Student
is Applying for Scholarship from EFNN to Attend:

B. Support from Friends/Relatives/Employers/Other Educational Grants, etc.

C. Funds to be Deposited Into an "Education savings account" for
the 2016-2017 School Year pursuant to SB 302 enacted by
the 2016 Session of the Nevada Legislature.

D. Funds from any other Nevada Choice Scholarship Grant Organization such as EFNN.

V. EXPECTED CHANGES IN INCOME, IF ANY

Do you expect any material changes in income for 2016?

Yes

No

If Yes, please explain and provide the expected amount of the change, whether positive or negative.

The undersigned Applicant and Co-Applicant represent and warrant that the information provided in this scholarship application is complete, true and correct in all material respects. I acknowledge and agree that any failure to provide such complete, true and correct information is grounds for immediate revocation of any scholarship awarded as a result of the information provided in this Application. In addition, I hereby authorize any Nevada school receiving scholarship funds from EFNN for the Student named in this application to receive any and all transcripts and/or other academic reports for the Student for any year as to which such scholarship funds were provided. I also declare that I have contacted the current school and school district my child is attending as to our intentions to transfer to a private school. All grants are subject to availability of funds and regardless of the amount of any grant awarded by EFNN, actual grants shall not exceed the amount required to fully fund the Student's 2016-2017 approved educational costs after giving effect to all receipts of the types outlined in Section IV, above. **All 2016-2017 school year scholarship applications must be received by June 1st, 2016. Completed applications must be mailed to: Education Fund of Northern Nevada, ATTN: Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 10480, Reno, NV 89510. Applications are not accepted in person or via e-mail.**

Signature of Applicant

Signature of Co-Applicant