

Bowden Family Scholarship Information



EDUCATION IS THE BRIDGE TO OUR FUTURE!!

Dear Bowden Family Member:

The Bowden family takes pride in assisting our youth in obtaining their goals of higher education. In 2005 we awarded the first \$500 scholarship to be awarded over 4 years. This year, the Bowden Family Scholarship will award more scholarships to qualifying family members. The current scholarship equals a maximum of **\$2,000.00** (two thousand dollars) to be paid in annual installments over 4 years.

The first award will be a maximum of \$500.00 (five hundred dollars), with up to three subsequent annual awards of \$500 for each additional year of full-time enrollment. **Each scholarship award will be held in trust until confirmation of full-time enrollment.**

After the initial award, the student simply needs to provide the Scholarship Chairman with confirmation of full-time enrollment (such as their class schedule) each school year to receive the additional awards.

Applications are available for download at bowdenfamilyreunion.com, the Bowden Family Reunion website.

The Scholarship applications may be submitted between **Jan 1 and June 30** each year, and must be postmarked/emailed not later than **June 30 of the scholarship award year**. **With an on-time application, the applicant will receive their full-year scholarship award during their fall semester** (or 1st quarter) of their school enrollment.

An application received after the June 30 deadline will cause any award to be delayed until the Spring semester. The applicant will need to submit confirmation of enrollment to show he/she was enrolled full-time during the prior Fall semester (or 1st and 2nd quarters), as well as, confirm his/her current Spring semester (or 3rd quarter) full-time enrollment. **After both submissions, (for example submitting class schedules) the applicant can then receive a full-year scholarship.**

If you have any questions please email or call Kevinar McCoy at kevinar.mccoy@anchorageak.gov or at 907-786-8588, (907) 764-7976, or Lonnie & Tina Cole, Scholarship Treasurers, t_rcole@yahoo.com.

Sincerely,

Kevinar McCoy: KM/jb
Scholarship Chairperson

Minimum Eligibility Requirements

To qualify, applicants must:

1. Be a descendant or legally adopted child of a descendant of Laurence and Ellen Bowden.
2. Submit a 250 word essay that articulates the Bowden Family values and describes what you are doing in your life that demonstrates those values.
3. Have attended at least one Bowden Family Reunion prior to applying. Applicant is encouraged to be present at the reunion (during a reunion year) for the awarding of the scholarship.
4. Must be under the age of 23 at time of award.
5. Have a letter of acceptance from (or be enrolled full-time at) an accredited college, university, vocational or technical school.
6. Have not previously received a scholarship award from the Bowden Family.

Instructions to Applicants for the Bowden Family Scholarship

1. All applications should be emailed/postmarked between January 1 and before **June 30 to be eligible for award during the Fall semester (or 1st quarter)**. **A late submission will cause any award to be delayed until the Spring semester.**

Applications must be emailed/mailed to: kevinar.mccoy@anchorageak.gov OR

*The Bowden Family Scholarship Committee
c/o Kevinar McCoy
4069 E. 20th Avenue, Unit 48
Anchorage, AK 995082.*

2. The attached application form must be used to apply for the scholarship.
3. New scholarships will be awarded annually based upon availability of funds.
4. Winners will be notified by Scholarship Committee each award year.
5. **Each scholarship award will be held in trust until confirmation of full-time enrollment** at an accredited college, university, vocational or technical school has been received by the Committee. If a winner does not provide this confirmation, they will forfeit their scholarship award.
6. Once a scholarship has been awarded, the applicant is entitled to renew the scholarship for three subsequent years. **The award winner simply needs to provide proof of continued full-time enrollment at an accredited college, university, vocational or technical school.**

BOWDEN FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATION FORM



1. Name: _____
2. Permanent Mailing Address (*Number & Street or P.O. Box*)

3. City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
4. Phone Number: _____
5. Date of Birth: _____
6. Email Address: _____
7. Parent(s)' names: _____
8. I am a descendant of Laurence and Ellen Bowden: Yes _____ No _____
(**If yes**, on a separate sheet, **please indicate your family tree back to Laurence & Ellen**; see <https://bowdenfamilyreunion.com/family-tree/> for help, if needed.)

9. I have previously attended the Bowden Family Reunion:
1) Year of attendance _____ 2) Year of attendance _____
10. I will or am register/ed to attend the next Bowden Family Reunion: yes _____ no _____
(**Note: As a SCHOLARSHIP WINNER, your registration fee is ZERO (FREE) to attend the 1st Family Reunion after you are selected as award winner.**)

11. I have included a copy of my letter of acceptance from the following college, university, vocational or technical institution:
Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone Number: _____

12. This fall, I will be a: Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior (circle one)

13. I participate in the following school/community organization(s). You may (but are not required to) include letters of recommendation from any of these organizations:

14. I participate in the following church activities. You may (but are not required to) include a letter of recommendation from your church:

15. I have included a **250 word essay** that articulates the Bowden Family values and describes what I am doing in my life that demonstrates those values. Yes _____ No _____

This application must be emailed/postmarked between **Jan 1 and June 30 of scholarship award year to receive a scholarship award this fall. I understand that a late submission will delay any award I might receive.**

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____