

**JONATHAN DEAN SISTO SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION
2013 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM**

Applications must be postmarked by May 1st, 2013 and submitted to:

JONATHAN DEAN SISTO SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION,
576 Dalewood Drive, Orinda, CA 94563

If you have any questions, please call (925) 254-4435

TO: Graduating college-bound seniors and recent high school graduates who have or are graduating from Miramonte High School, Orinda, California or who are members and/or former members of Boy Scouts of America, Troop 204, Orinda California.

FROM: Scholarship Committee

ENCLOSED: Scholarship Application

Please complete the following:

Name _____

- Miramonte High School Graduating College Bound Senior or Recent Graduate
- Member or Former Member of Boy Scout's Troop 204 – College Bound Senior or Recent Graduate

Please be sure to check the application for other necessary information such as School Transcripts and Letters of Recommendation. Give yourself time to acquire these items. If you cannot get all materials needed by the postmarked deadline, send the application with a note that the other materials (please specify) will be sent under separate cover. Be sure that the application is completed in a neat and organized fashion.

Thank you for applying for this scholarship. There is at least \$4,000.00 per year available for this scholarship. Each scholarship is also renewable, by meeting the criteria, once you are enrolled in an institution of higher learning up to three times for a total scholarship of up to \$16,000.00. These scholarships are only available for undergraduate studies.

Each application section can be typed up on a separate page if preferred.

Thank you!

The Board of Directors of the Jonathan Dean Sisto Scholarship Foundation

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Section A – Personal Information

Full Name _____

Address _____

City _____, California Zip Code _____

Home telephone (_____) _____ Mobile telephone (_____) _____

E-mail address _____

Birth date ____ / ____ / _____ (mm/dd/yyyy)

Social Security Number _____ - ____ - _____

- Miramonte High School Graduating College Bound Senior or recent graduate
- Member or Former Member of Boy Scout's Troop 204 – College Bound Senior or recent graduate

Section B – Education

Currently attending: (Check one): High School College

Name of High School _____

Address _____

Name of College attending or accepted _____

Address _____

Declared area of study or degree program _____

Section C – Scholastic Information

Grade Level in School _____ Grade Point Average: (Overall) _____ (*attach a copy of transcript*)

Scholastic honors and extracurricular activities (include any scholarships awarded) _____

Section D – Athletic Information

Varsity Sport _____ Number of Years _____

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Please list awards, recognitions, and top finishes in a State, Local, National, International, Team USA or Collegiate events. *Please give specifics.*

List other athletic involvements and honors, including year, organizations, activities, offices and special awards: _____

Section E – Community Service Information

List all of your community service performed during your years in high school showing your involvement including year served, organization served and specific role: *(attach copy of verification letter stating hours worked during each school year)* _____

Section F – Interests and Goals

“The most important thing to remember is this: To be ready at any moment to give up what you are for what you might become.” - W.E.B. Du Bois

The transition to college is both a change you are forced to undergo, and an opportunity to become who you are. Please tell us in no more than 500 words about how your personal goals and interest in public service will be furthered by, and shaped by, this opportunity. Submit your essay on a separate sheet that includes your full name and a word count.

This essay is your opportunity to tell the application committee who you are and how you fit the selection criteria of the scholarship, how you embody the ideas of being a student, an athlete, and a member of the community who has a vested interest in the things you participate in. It is the most important requirement for the scholarship. Using an essay written for another purpose will indicate to the selection committee that you do not take the scholarship seriously, and accordingly we will not consider your application.

To reiterate, this is an essay that is NOT about the college you are attending, or the material opportunities that it will offer you. Instead we are asking you to take a moment to make a critical self-examination of who you are, and to tell us who, not what, you’d like to become. Your present accomplishments and future plans are not irrelevant in this determination, but they are not the point. Instead, the focus should be on what these things say about you.

A last piece of advice: Senior year is difficult, and we appreciate that you must write countless essays asking about “you” that are, in fact, asking you to fit within a set of cookie-cutter criteria. We are asking no such thing. Jonathan Sisto was a young man filled with care, passion and verve that was not well contained within a college application essay. We hope you are too. We’d like you to take a chance and tell us about it.

Section G – Letter of Recommendation

Please submit a letter of recommendation. Suggested recommenders are teachers, coaches, or other community leaders with whom you have had significant interaction. It is more important to choose a recommender who is knowledgeable of your accomplishments and character, rather than a recommender chosen to impress the selection committee. Please have your recommender submit their letter directly to the address provided.

Section H – Official Signature

I certify that the information on this application is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant’s Signature: _____ Date _____

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QUALIFICATIONS

All Applicants must:

1. Be a graduating senior or a recent graduate from Miramonte High School or a member or former member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 204, who has applied to or is attending an accredited university or four year college.
2. Be younger than 23 years old as of November 15, 2013
3. Have a minimum of 3.25 GPA or equivalent during high school – OR – maintain a 3.0 GPA in a degree program at the college or university they are currently attending.
4. Have been a member of an athletic team at the varsity level for two years in high school.
5. Have performed community service of at least 20 hours each year for at least two years of their high school attendance.

Students related to members of the board or to donors of the foundation within the second collateral degree of kinship shall not be eligible for awards. Eligibility for scholarships shall not be affected in any manner by the employment of the applicant or her/his parents or other relative.

SELECTION CRITERIA

1. The recipients will be selected based upon demonstrated strength in academic achievement, athletic achievement, and community service. In each area the initiative, leadership and creativity will be the primary selection criteria. Among the candidates that show strong initiative, leadership and creativity in each of these areas, candidates with exceptional achievements in one or more of these areas will be preferred.
2. At least one scholarship will be granted each year in the amount of \$4,000.00 which will be renewed not more than three times for the remaining years of the recipient's undergraduate study. From time to time additional similar scholarships may be awarded.
3. Scholarships will be disbursed in equal parts at the beginning of each term or semester during the regular school year to the college or university selected by the recipient. No further disbursement will be made in connection with a scholarship if the recipient fails to enroll for the following term/semester on a full time basis or fails to complete courses equal to a full time attendance, or to achieve a 2.5 GPA during the prior term/semester. The recipient is responsible for sending evidence of full time attendance, GPA, and at least 20 hours of community service during each year of college attendance to be entitled to the scholarship for the following year.