INSTRUCTIONS FOR HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELORS

The original and two (2) copies of each application must be received by the scholarship committee no later than March 26, 2020. Applications received after that date WILL NOT be considered.

The school counselors must submit the completed application to the scholarship committee.

Applicants will not be considered without meeting all of the following:

1. must have been a student in Bowie County all of his/her junior and senior years,
2. must be in top 25% of class,
3. must have an ACT cumulative score of 21 or higher or an SAT total score of 1060 or higher,
4. must include an official high school transcript showing
   *a. ACT or SAT scores (highest score achieved)
   *b. rank in class (example: 3/107)
*PLEASE HIGHLIGHT THIS INFORMATION ON THE STUDENT’S OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT (ORIGINAL COPY ONLY).

5. completed six (6) page student application including applicant/parent signature sheet,
6. copy of parents’ current income tax return, and
7. completed Counselor Summary Sheet

All packets should be sent to:

Owen Scholarship Committee
Mr. Chris Bradshaw
Maud ISD
PO Box 1028
Maud, Texas 75567-1028

or
Delivered to: Owen Scholarship Committee C/O Maud ISD Attn: Mr. Chris Bradshaw
Counselor’s Summary Sheet  
(Staple to top of each application)

Applicant’s name ____________________________  
Last ___________  First ___________  MI ___________

Class Rank ____/____ (include no. in class)

Highest ACT composite score _______ or Highest SAT total score _________

Adjusted Gross Income (from parent’s tax return) ______________________

Total number of exemptions in family _________

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This student
  - has been a student in Bowie County all of his/her junior and senior years.
  - is in the top 25% of his/her class.
  - has a cumulative ACT score of 21 or higher or a total SAT score of 1060 or higher.

I have enclosed the original and two (2) copies of the items below:
  - the student’s completed six page application,
  - an official transcript highlighting highest ACT/SAT score, rank, GPA
  - parent’s current income tax return

________________________________________
Counselor’s signature

________________________________________
School District
Student Packet
2019-2020

JACK D. AND CHARLOTTE OWEN

EDUCATIONAL

SCHOLARSHIP

INFORMATION
To the Jack and Charlotte Educational Scholarship Applicant and the Applicant’s Parents:

Dear Applicant:

Through the generous donations given by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Owen, the Jack and Charlotte Educational Scholarship Trust was founded. The program is established for Bowie County High School graduates who are planning to pursue a college education at a two or four-year institution. Each year, the selection committee offers outstanding matriculate students, who have demonstrated scholastic excellence, intellectual potential, personal integrity, and enthusiasm for learning, the opportunity to become a recipient of an Owen Scholarship. Scholarship winners receive a financial award of $6,000 to be used within four years of the award. The funds may be used for tuition, room, board, and academically-related supplies. The unique feature of this program is to offer each aspiring scholar to further his/her education and academic endeavors without the burden of demonstrating extreme financial need, affiliation status, or limiting the student to a specific institution and area of study.

The selection process may be a strange mix of components, but there is no magic formula for the perfect applicant. We look for intellectual commitment and potential, creativity, and character. Those are not exactly quantifiable, but we draw them from the information you supply. When your application is reviewed, we carefully evaluate its strengths and consider how the ingredients you provide will interact with those presented by other applicants. Individual members of the selection committee and the collective selection committee review everything you submit and build a case for you based on your academic abilities, personal qualities, extracurricular involvement, and financial need. It is admittedly a subjective process, with no set recipe for who gets a scholarship and who does not. Your grades, test scores, and class ranking are important, of course, but not an absolute. All those numbers yield only a partial profile. Your thoughts from the essay are important to get a “feel” for you as an applicant. Use your essay to make a personal statement, to tell us things that demonstrate your character, personality, compassion, sense of fairness, and integrity.

Evidence of academic strength is indicated by grades, standardized test scores and the ACT. Although a score of 21 on the ACT is required to apply, there is no hard and fast rule that a high score on the ACT will qualify you for a scholarship. All of the above information is taken into consideration to determine the finalist, those applicants who are interviewed by the selection committee.
The most important questions the selection committee must resolve are “Who is likely to make the most of the Owen Scholarship?”, and “Who will contribute significantly to society?” The committee uses the student interview to place the final pieces of the puzzle together and select the recipients of the Jack and Charlotte Owen Educational Scholarship. In sum, qualifications include not only the reasonably well-defined areas of academic achievement, but also the less tangible qualities of capacity for involvement, commitment, and personal growth. None of these can be measured precisely, but each applicant is assured of a complete and careful review as an individual within the context of the Scholarship applicant pool.

It is also important for Scholarship applicants to understand that the decisions made by the committee are final. Because of confidentiality issues, committee members will not respond to any questions concerning the selection or nonselection of a student.

Good luck during this process.

Sincerely,

The Owen Scholarship Selection Committee

I have read and understand the above statements. I will accept the decision of the selection committee concerning the JACK D. AND CHARLOTTE OWEN EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP.

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JACK D. AND CHARLOTTE OWEN EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICANT/PARENT SIGNATURE SHEET

OWEN SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS:
Mr. and Mrs. Owen were very specific in their will in the naming of the scholarship committee and placed their trust in the judgment of the committee in making all decisions. The Owen Scholarship selection committee will receive and review scholarship applications. Due to the application requirements, all applicants are outstanding students with bright futures and all applicants would make good use of Owen Scholarship moneys. Unfortunately, the committee must select only a small number of students who will receive Owen Scholarships. Selection of the recipients is very difficult and sometimes small, intangible factors separate a scholarship recipient from one not selected. The decisions are made by the committee and, because of confidentiality issues, committee members will not respond to any questions concerning the selection or nonselection of a student.

- The school counselors must submit the completed JACK D. AND CHARLOTTE OWEN EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS to the scholarship committee.

- Applicants’ school counselor will set the deadline for turning in the application at your school district. All applications must be submitted to the scholarship committee by the school counselor.

- Applications must be completely filled out with the following attached information:
  1. Copy of parents’ completed 2019 tax return.
  2. Copy of official high school transcript including SAT or ACT scores.
  3. This letter signed by parent and student.

*** APPLICATIONS AND ALL FORMS MUST BE COMPLETED IN APPLICANT’S OWN HANDWRITING IN PERMANENT BLACK INK ***

An incomplete application will not be accepted.


________________________________________
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

________________________________________
SIGNATURE OF PARENT

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Jack D. and Charlotte Owen

Educational Scholarship Application

OBJECT: The JACK D. AND CHARLOTTE OWEN EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP is to assist graduates of Bowie County High Schools who are capable of outstanding scholastic achievement, leadership potential, and who need financial assistance to attend college.

QUALIFICATIONS: Applicant must (1) be in the top 25% of his or her high school graduating class, (2) scored 21 or higher composite score on the ACT or 1060 or higher total score on the SAT, and (3) completed his or her junior and senior years in a Bowie County high school.

COMPLETE THIS FORM IN YOUR OWN HANDWRITING WITH BLACK INK.

Name (in full) ______________________ (Last) ______________________ (First) ______________________ (Middle) Age _____

Telephone Number ______________________

Social Security Number ______________________

Mailing Address ______________________
(P.O. Box) ______________________ (City) ______________________ (State) ______________________ (Zip Code)

Home Physical Address ______________________
(Street or Route) ______________________ (City) ______________________ (State) ______________________ (Zip Code)

State places where you have lived and how long in each place.

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Father's Name ______________________ Telephone # ______________________

Address ______________________
(Street and No.) ______________________ (City, State)

Father's Occupation ______________________

Name and address of employer ______________________

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Applicant’s name ________________

Last          First

Mother’s Name ____________________ Telephone #____________________

Address __________________________________________________________
(Street and No.) (City, State)

Mother’s Occupation ____________________________

Name and address of employer ____________________________

How many children in your family are older than you? ______ Younger? ______

How many of the above children are in college? ______

What special recognition(s), if any, did you receive in high school such as honors, prizes, or awards?
________________________________________________________________________

List the extra-curricular activities in which you have participated in high school, such as athletics, publications, dramatics, music, clubs, or student government. Note any special recognition received such as offices held, etc.
________________________________________________________________________

________________________________________________________________________

What school or college do you plan to attend? Have you been accepted? (Give 3 in order of preference and circle Y or N to indicate whether or not you have been accepted.)

1. ____________________________ Y/N        2. ____________________________ Y/N

3. ____________________________ Y/N

List all scholarships you have already received. Give dollar amounts for each.

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________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________

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What definite plans, if any, do you have for a career?

__________________________________________________________________________

What course of study or major do you plan to pursue?
__________________________________________________________________________

List after school, week-end, or summer vacation work, if any, during high school attendance. List the name and address of employer, type of work, earnings.
__________________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________

Have you saved any money toward your college education, and if so, how much?
__________________________________________________________________________

How do you plan to provide the additional funds necessary for college, such as travel, clothes, laundry, etc.?
__________________________________________________________________________

Have you any income from other sources? __________ If so, state sources.
__________________________________________________________________________

Is anyone dependent on you for support? __________

Do you have your own car or one that you use regularly for going to and from school? If so, give make and model:
__________________________________________________________________________

If from divorced parents, do you receive any support from either, if so how much.
__________________________________________________________________________

Is any financial assistance for college education available from sources other than your parents such as grandparents, uncles, aunts, parents' employers, social security, veterans administration, etc.?
__________________________________________________________________________

If so, how much and for how long.
Applicant's name

Last
First

Have your high school principal or counselor attach an official high school transcript to this application showing your high school average and your class rank. Include results of either ACT or SAT test with the application.

Explain any special circumstances not addressed in the application of which you feel the selection committee should be made aware.

It is the policy of the Owen Scholarship Committee not to discriminate on basis of sex, handicap, race, color and national origin in its educational and vocational programs, activities, or employment as required by Title IX, Section 504 and Title VI.

I certify that the information I have provided the Owen Scholarship Committee is true and correct.

Signature of Applicant

Date
In your own handwriting, write an essay below and/or on the back of this sheet of approximately 150 words. Choose one of the following topics: "What I Hope to Get Out of Life Through College," or "Why I Want to Pursue the Occupation I Have Chosen."
THE JACK D. AND CHARLOTTE OWEN
EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

The granting of Owen Scholarships to an increasing number of students is a responsibility and privilege
shared jointly by the selection committee. The committee was authorized in the will of Mr. Jack D. Owen.
The superintendents of Maud ISD, Redwater ISD, and Liberty-Eylau ISD serve as the selection committee.
The members of the committee have the final word in the selection of the recipients and in the supervision
of their progress while in college. To aid in applying for this scholarship and in keeping this scholarship,
the committee has prepared the following questions and answers.

HOW MANY OWEN SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE?
The number may vary from year to year, depending on the interest accruing from invested funds.

WHAT IS THE TERM OF THE SCHOLARSHIP?
The Owen Scholarships are awarded for four year terms. The grants will be reviewed each year to verify
that the recipient has fulfilled the obligations for continuation.

WHAT IS THE EXTENT OF THE FINANCIAL AID OF AN OWEN SCHOLARSHIP?
The scholarship committee will determine the amount of the scholarship on an annual basis. The amount
of the scholarship award will be determined by the success of the scholarship trust.

CAN MONEY WHICH IS NOT USED IN ONE YEAR BE CARRIED OVER TO THE NEXT?
Yes.

HOW AND FOR WHAT IS THE MONEY PAID?
The scholarship will pay for the following items when the billing is done by the college or other approved
agency: room and board (in dormitory), college fees, tuition, and books. It is the responsibility of each
scholarship recipient to properly notify the college that all billings or other correspondence pertaining to
funding be directed to:

The JACK D. AND CHARLOTTE OWEN EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP
Mr. Chris Bradshaw Phone (903) 585-2219, Option 3
Maud ISD Fax (903) 585-5451
P.O. Box 1028
Maud, TX 75567

Q&A 1
MAY OWEN SCHOLARS LIVE OFF CAMPUS?
Yes, but Owen Scholarship funds cannot be used for off-campus housing. In no event will the total expenses exceed the designated amount of the grant for that semester or term.

HOW CAN A STUDENT KNOW WHEN HE IS ELIGIBLE?
Your high school counselor will furnish the information to the student upon request.

MUST THE APPLICANT HAVE ATTENDED THE LAST FOUR YEARS IN A BOWIE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL?
No. Attendance in a Bowie County high school is required for the junior and senior years. A complete transcript of all high school grades must accompany the application.

ARE ANY COMPETITIVE TESTS GIVEN THE APPLICANTS?
No special competitive test is given. Each applicant is considered on his/her merit and his/her high school record. The results of the usual testing procedures are considered. The ACT or SAT must have been taken to apply for the scholarship. If the student's ACT or SAT scores are not with the application or on the high school transcript at the time of the application deadline, the application will not be accepted.

WHERE MAY AN INTERESTED SENIOR OBTAIN AN APPLICATION BLANK?
Application blanks may be obtained from your high school counselor.

WHEN SHOULD AN APPLICATION BE MADE?
Application should be made in the early Spring of the senior year.

HOW ARE THE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS SELECTED?
Each applicant is considered by the selection committee on the basis of records, citizenship, estimated ability, objectives, willingness to work, extra-curricular activities, and financial need.

WHAT IS EXPECTED OF A SCHOLARSHIP HOLDER?
Each recipient is required to attend an accredited college in the United States. The student must choose a four year course of study leading to a bachelor's degree. Scholastically, a student is expected to make a 2.5 each semester on a 4.0 system toward his/her college degree. If he/she falls below these standards, the scholarship will be withdrawn. All expenses covered by the Owen Scholarship are to be paid directly to the college/university chosen by the student. Only under special circumstances caused by the college/university will a student be reimbursed for money he/she has spent. In this event, arrangements must be made with the scholarship committee prior to registration.

Q&A 2
WILL THE OWEN SCHOLARSHIP FUND PAY FOR COURSES OF STUDY (law, medicine, engineering, etc.) THAT TAKE LONGER THAN FOUR YEARS?
The grant is a four-year scholarship for an undergraduate degree. The student must be prepared to take care of the additional study from his/her own resources.

FOR WHAT REASONS WOULD THE SCHOLARSHIP BE WITHDRAWN?
Failure to maintain a grade point average of 2.5 each semester on a 4.0 system. Failure to submit semester grades promptly. Withdrawal from school unless the selection committee has given prior approval for continuance at a later date. (Continuance will only be granted in extreme hardship cases.)

MAY A STUDENT RE-APPLY?
No. If a scholarship is withdrawn by the committee, the student may not re-apply.

MAY OWEN SCHOLARS CHANGE MAJORS OR TRANSFER?
Yes. With the approval of the Committee, an Owen Scholar may change majors, or transfer from one school to another.

HOW MANY SEMESTER HOURS MUST BE CARRIED BY AN OWEN SCHOLAR?
Each scholar is required to be enrolled for the minimum number of semester hours required by the school to be a full time student (12 hrs.).

WHAT ABOUT OTHER SOURCES OF FINANCIAL AID?
The Committee must be informed immediately about additional grants or scholarships awarded.

CAN THE SCHOLARSHIP BE USED TO PAY FEES FOR SUMMER SCHOOL?
Yes. When a student attends summer school, the amount will be deducted from the senior year portion of the scholarship.

MAY MORE THAN ONE MEMBER OF A FAMILY RECEIVE A SCHOLARSHIP?
Yes, each applicant is considered individually.

DOES THE SCHOLARSHIP TERMINATE IF THE RECIPIENT MOVES FROM BOWIE COUNTY?
No, the scholarship will remain in effect.
WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY?
Any graduate of a Bowie County high school who ranks scholastically in the top 25% of the class, has attended all of the junior and senior years in Bowie County, has an ACT score of 21 or better or an SAT score of 1060 or better, and needs financial assistance to attend college is eligible.

HOW IS THE REQUIREMENT THAT ONE MUST "NEED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE" APPLIED BY THE SELECTION COMMITTEE?
The specific language of the will provided that the scholarships be awarded to students who "would not otherwise be able to attend college." The Committee aware that any ambitious student can get a college education if he/she wants it badly enough, and that probably the true spirit of the bequest is best served by a giving a broader interpretation to the provision than its literal meaning. In the final application of this requirement it is a comparative factor, along with selection of recipients.

WHERE DOES THE SELECTION COMMITTEE SECURE INFORMATION ABOUT THE RELATIVE FINANCIAL STATUS OF THE APPLICANTS?
It is not the wish of the Committee to inquire into personal matters, and yet this is the only way in which this requirement of the bequest can be met. Each applicant is required to submit a copy of parents' completed income tax return.