



OKLAHOMA CHEERLEADING COACHES ASSOCIATION **SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION**

The OCCA Scholarship recognizes and encourages the achievements of graduation seniors. The OCCA will award two (2) \$1,000 scholarships, one for the west and one for the east; two (2) \$500 runner-up scholarships, one for the west and one for the east. The award is to be used for education expenses at any accredited post-secondary educational institution for any field of study. The program is independently managed by OCCA. Awards are made without regard to race, color, creed, sex, religion, or national origin. OCCA reserves the right to change or discontinue this program without notice.

ELIGIBILITY

A student is eligible to apply for the OCCA Scholarship if he/she is a high school senior planning to enroll in a full-time course of study at an accredited two/four year college, university, or vocational-technical school, a US citizen, and has at least 3 years of Varsity cheerleading experience.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

The applicant should meet the eligibility requirements, complete and sign the application, which should also be signed by the cheerleading coach and parent/legal guardian. An up-to-date official transcript, letter of recommendation from an administrator and cheerleading coach should be included; along with other required information.

All information should be mailed to OCCA secretary. All information must be submitted together and must be postmarked no later than **March 1, 2025**.

Scholarship applicants are responsible for gathering and submitting all necessary information. OCCA will evaluate all applications. All scholarship recipients will be notified by e-mail by May 1, 2025. Students are evaluated by the information they supply; therefore, it is advisable to answer every question as completely as possible. Information will not be returned.

SELECTION PROCESS

1. Grade Point Average
 - 3.6 – 3.79 – 1 point
 - 3.8 – 3.99 – 2 points
 - 4.0 - 3 points
2. Involvement in school, as well as, community, volunteer, and church activities outside cheerleading. Part/Full time work experience. (1-2 points)
3. Family information/financial need (1-2 points)
4. School recommendation (administrator) (1-2 points)
5. Coach's recommendation (1-3 points)
6. Personal statement/financial need (1-3 points)
7. College degree to be pursued (1 point)

OCCA OBLIGATIONS

No obligation of any kind will be imposed upon recipients by OCCA. However, recipients are required to notify OCCA of any change of address, school enrollment, or other pertinent information. Recipients are solely responsible for making admission arrangements and fulfilling requirements of enrolling in a full-time course of study at an accredited two/four year college, university, or vocational-technical school. Recipients must enter college as a full-time student in the Fall term following selection, remain in good academic standing, and pursue a course of study leading to a degree. Checks will be given to recipients in July at the Honors Ceremony at the OCA coaches clinic. Nomination coach must be a current member of OCCA.

Have you enclosed the following information for the Oklahoma Cheerleading Coaches Association Scholarship Application:

- _____ Completed nomination form with applicant, coach, and parent signature
- _____ Up-to-date official transcript with ACT/SAT score(s)
- _____ Letter of recommendation from an administrator
- _____ Letter of recommendation from your cheerleading coach
- _____ Typed chronological list of school activities other than cheerleading
- _____ Typed chronological list of non-school related activities
- _____ Typed personal statement including financial need and college degree to be pursued

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