

CERRO GORDO/BEMENT ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB Scholarship Guidelines

The following is an outline of the guidelines for awarding Cerro Gordo/Bement Athletic Booster Club Scholarships to Cerro Gordo or Bement seniors.

GOAL

The goal of the Cerro Gordo/Bement Athletic Booster Club Scholarship Awards is to encourage CGHS/BHS students to pursue further education and to reward and recognize outstanding performance in, and contributions to, Cerro Gordo or Bement High School. This is achieved by awarding scholarships to those deserving seniors who typify the highest standards of academic performance, participation in activities, leadership and character.

Scholarships are awarded to college bound or trade school/apprenticeship seniors who have demonstrated a high level of participation in high school and have made a significant contribution to Cerro Gordo or Bement High School through participation, academics, leadership and community involvement.

DESCRIPTION

Scholarships will be awarded to graduating student athletes that plan to continue his/her education at an institution of higher learning or trade school/apprenticeship program. These scholarships are given annually to one or more deserving athletes.

Note: The number of scholarships presented each year will vary. The scholarship awards are determined by the Cerro Gordo/Bement Athletic Booster Club Board based upon funds and needs available in each given year.

The scholarship should be based on athletic endeavors, extra-curricular activities, desire, determination and good sportsmanship rather than emphasis on athletic ability.

President **will only vote to break a tie**. The committee shall meet annually in March/April and read through each applicant's completed application carefully for consideration. The scholarship recipient shall be chosen through silent majority vote. The recipient(s) shall be awarded the scholarship in May during Honors Night of the respective year. Presenting award will consist of chosen Cerro Gordo/Bement Athletic Booster Club Officers. A check for the scholarship(s) will be issued to the student by the current Booster Club Treasurer.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

The scholarship committee hereinafter called "committee" shall consist of Cerro Gordo/Bement Athletic Booster Club members that have demonstrated attendance at 50% of regularly scheduled monthly meetings starting August 1st - the end of the school year.

ELIGIBILITY/REQUIREMENTS/QUALIFICATIONS

The following requirements must be met for a student to be eligible to apply for a Cerro Gordo/Bement Athletic Booster Club Scholarship:

1. Applicant must have attended Cerro Gordo/Bement High School for at least two years.
2. The applying student cannot be found in violation of the Athletic Code of Conduct set forth by the Athletic Department or the School District.
3. School Attendance must be acceptable.
4. Applicant must be a graduating student athlete who is entering a higher institution of learning such as a four-year college, junior college or technical school for the upcoming fall semester.
5. Applicant must have been awarded at least one (1) Varsity letter in a sport during their high school career, and/or participated in Poms or been our mascot 'Bucky' for at least one year.
6. The student must have applied for and met the entry requirements of the college or technical school they plan to attend. College admission and attendance must begin the first fall semester immediately after high school graduation or the recipient will lose the scholarship award. A failure to show proof of college enrollment/registration before fall semester will result in forfeiture of all or half of the scholarship award. Proof of enrollment must consist of an itemized bill or receipt and a class schedule showing that the recipient has enrolled in at least 12 semester hours for the fall semester.

CRITERIA

1. Applicant will provide the Cerro Gordo/Bement Athletic Booster Club members an application form including the following:
 - a. List all athletics in which you have participated at CGHS/BHS and include any individual honors or leadership positions received (Examples: Captain of a team, MVP, All Conference)
 - b. List all non-athletic extracurricular activities/groups/clubs in which you have participated at CGHS/BHS and include any individual honors or leadership positions received (Examples: Elected Officer of a Club, Student of the Month)
 - c. List your work experience including summer employment and average hours/week. If you worked during the 9 month school year, please list that as well. Include specific jobs held and roles/responsibilities
 - d. List any community service activities performed with specifics
2. Applicant will submit a brief ESSAY including the following:
 - a. Financial Needs (if any) - include any relevant information (Examples: any unusual expenses or situations that might make paying for first year at college or university difficult for family)
 - b. Goals and Aspirations - please write about plans for the future (educational and career)
 - c. How the Cerro Gordo/Bement Athletic Booster Club has enriched your life and/or allowed you to contribute to your community as a student during your high school career
 - d. The value of your participation in Cerro Gordo or Bement High School Athletics to your overall high school experience and to your preparation for college

- e. Additional Information – feel free to add any additional information that might be helpful to the Cerro Gordo/Bement Athletic Booster Club committee when selecting the recipient of a scholarship

CERRO GORDO/BEMENT ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Applicant's Name: _____

Parent's Name(s): _____

What college(s) have you applied to and been accepted:

Where do you plan to attend in the fall: _____

List the sports in which you have participated while in high school and any honors that you received for these sports:

Freshman Year

Sophomore Year

Junior Year

Senior Year

I, _____, attest that all information on this application is correct and truthful. I understand that a committee will have access to this information in order to make an informed decision on who will be awarded this scholarship.

Applicant's Signature

Date

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION MUST BE RETURNED TO THE CERRO GORDO or BEMENT HIGH SCHOOL GUIDANCE OFFICE BY FRIDAY, April 18, 2025.