**Boren Scholarship**

**Description**

The Merle H. and Virginia Downs Boren Uni High Student Support Fund is an endowed fund established in 2000 as a result of their estate plans. Virginia Downs Boren was a member of the Uni Class of 1931. Distribution of the monies is in the form of a scholarship, the **Boren Scholarship**.

The **Boren Scholarship** provides financial assistance to students to further their education. The scholarship is to be awarded to a student based upon availability of funds, number of applicants, and program merits. Financial need is a consideration in the awarding of **the Boren Scholarship**. Students of parents who are currently employed by the University of Illinois or retired from the University of Illinois should first apply to the McNevin fund.

Students may apply for assistance toward expenses related to studying abroad, student fees related to Advanced Placement exams, ACT prep courses, camps for academic, fine arts or athletic development, etc.

Applications will be received on a quarterly basis, according to the following schedule

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|  | **1st Quarter** | **2nd Quarter** | **3rd Quarter** | **4th Quarter** |
| Advancement Director announces availability of Boren Scholarship | 9/1 | 11/1 | 2/1 | 4/1 |
| Quarterly Application Deadline | 10/1 | 12/1 | 3/1 | 5/1 |
| Scholarship Decision Made by | 10/15 | 12/15 | 3/15 | 5/15 |

The Executive committee will review Boren Applications during each academic quarter in the school year, and make recommendations to The Director.

Award Applications are available on the Uni Website under resources then forms. Completed applications should be given to The Associate Director.

The Executive Committee reviews the application and makes recommendations to the Director about whether to grant the scholarship and determine the amount of the award. Once the decision has been made the Associate Director will notify the University of Illinois Laboratory High School Business Office, the Director of Advancement and the award recipient.

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*Application*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Year in School: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Request Amount $

**On a separate sheet of paper, please:**

* Describe the opportunity for which you are requesting a **Boren Scholarship**. The description should include the dates of the activity or opportunity.
  + Optional Materials include
    - Printed material from the group or organization making the activity possible
    - A statement of a Uni teacher’s personal knowledge of the activity.
* Attach 2 Letters of recommendation from non-familial adult(s)

Travel $ Supplies $

Housing $ Other $

Food $ Total $

* Provide a detailed estimate of expected expenses/cost of the opportunity.
* Explain how this activity/opportunity will further your education.
* Also, include an explanation of why you feel you should receive a **Boren Scholarship**,
  + unique circumstances about financial need (examples)
    - personal employment,
    - siblings in college,
    - parent(s) financial status,
    - unexpected illnesses, etc.
* Optional documents to demonstrate financial need may include
  + Most recent 1040 forms belonging to you or your parents.
  + Letters describing your current financial situation
* List other sources from whom have you sought financial assistance.
* List discounts or scholarships provided by the organization offering the activity.

I attest that all application information is correct.

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Student signature and date Parent signature and date

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE APPROVAL**

Date(s) of fund expenditure: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_

Estimated Costs: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Advancement Director Uni High Director