

Joshua Benson Memorial Scholarship

Please type (do not handwrite). If you prefer to use a Word document to fill out the form on a computer, please contact kacf@kearney.net for Word file. Try to limit responses to these pages with use of additional paper only when necessary. **DEADLINE: APRIL 15**

NAME _____

CURRENT ADDRESS _____

HOME TELEPHONE _____ SS NUMBER _____

YEAR OF GRADUATION _____ HIGH SCHOOL GPA _____

POST-SECONDARY SCHOOL YOU ARE PLANNING TO ATTEND:

DO YOU HAVE A FINANCIAL NEED FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP? _____

(Further verification of financial need will likely be required.)

DESCRIBE YOUR CAREER GOALS (INCLUDING THE FIELD OF STUDY YOU PLAN TO PURSUE) _____

HOW MANY YEARS HAVE YOU BEEN ACTIVE IN MARTIAL ARTS? _____

ARE YOU CURRENTLY ACTIVE IN MARTIAL ARTS? _____

NAME OF MARTIAL ARTS INSTRUCTOR: _____

(YOUR MARTIAL ARTS INSTRUCTOR IS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE AN EVALUATION OF YOUR SKILL AND CHARACTER. IF YOU HAVE HAD MORE THAN ONE SELECT THE ONE THAT CAN BEST ADDRESS THE QUESTIONS.)

CURRENT COLOR OF BELT YOU WEAR: _____

ATTACHMENTS REQUIRED:

1. YOUR HIGH SCHOOL GRADE TRANSCRIPT, INCLUDING GPA, THROUGH AT LEAST THE FIRST SEMESTER OF YOUR SENIOR YEAR.
2. A ONE-PAGE ESSAY (DOUBLE-SPACED) ON WHY YOU BELIEVE YOU DESERVE THIS SCHOLARSHIP
3. A SELF-ADDRESSED STAMPED LEGAL SIZE ENVELOPE TO ASSIST US IN RESPONDING TO YOU.

YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED OF THE RESULTS OF YOUR APPLICATION.

I AUTHORIZE REPRESENTATIVES OF MY HIGH SCHOOL, COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY, VOCATIONAL OR TECHICAL SCHOOL WHERE I ATTEND, AND OTHERS TO PROVIDE THE JOSHUA BENSON MEMORIAL SCHOLORSHIP SELECTION COMMITTEE WITH ANY OF MY PERSONAL RECORDS OR TRANSACTIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF EVALUATING THIS APPLICATION.

SIGNATURE

DATE

DELIVER OR SEND THIS APPLICATION AND ATTACHMENTS TO:

THIS APPLICATION MUST BE POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 15th

KEARNEY AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
ATTN: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR
1007 SECOND AVENUE
P.O. BOX 607
KEARNEY, NE 68848-0607
(308) 237-3114

DON'T FORGET THAT YOUR INSTRUCTOR MUST FILL OUT AN EVALUATION FORM AND IT MUST BE SENT SEPERATELY BY APRIL 15TH.

Martial Arts Instructor

Evaluation Form

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Name of Student _____

Dear Marital Arts Instructor:

This student is making application for the Joshua Benson Memorial Scholarship. The student's martial arts instructor must complete this form and return it to the address below. Please do not inform the student of the specific rating that you circle below. This information will be kept confidential.

The Heartland Martial Arts League through the Kearney Area Community Foundation will award the Joshua Benson Memorial Scholarship. It will be awarded to a graduating senior who is active in martial arts. The scholarship must be used to further the student's academic education.

Joshua Benson was a 15-year old who was active in martial arts. He received his black belt only eight months before his death. In martial arts he was an assistant instructor, tournament judge and scorekeeper, and a continually learning student. His life was devoted to doing service work for others. He was an active caregiver to the elderly, handicapped, and young people. He was active in school sports, academics and clubs. He was also active in his church. The key to knowing Joshua is the concept of *service* and the committee will look mainly upon the service information provided on other parts of the scholarship application to determine the recipient.

The purpose of you completing this form is to provide the selection committee with information about this student's martial arts work. Current participation in martial arts and the expectation of a lifetime devotion to the activity is a criterion for receiving the scholarship. As you consider each of the criteria below, you should realize that Joshua Benson would not have a perfect score on his form and few black belts can live up to the expectation of a perfect score. Please be fair and honest in your evaluation of your student and we will not share this evaluation with the student.

Thank you for taking the time to complete this form. Your support to martial arts and this scholarship is appreciated. **DEADLINE: Postmarked on or before April 15th.**

Joshua Benson Memorial Scholarship
Selection Committee

MARTIAL ARTS INSTRUCTOR'S EVALUATION
JOSHUA BENSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Adequate Good Excellent Superior Outstanding

CLASSROOM PARTICIPATION

Regular attendance in class	1	2	3	4	5
Warm-up before workout	1	2	3	4	5
Trained hard	1	2	3	4	5
Stances	1	2	3	4	5
Positioning of hands and arms as weapons	1	2	3	4	5
Kicks as weapons	1	2	3	4	5
Defensive skills	1	2	3	4	5
Self-defense techniques	1	2	3	4	5

TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATION

Sparring	1	2	3	4	5
Mastery of Kata	1	2	3	4	5
Tournament participation	1	2	3	4	5
Tournament behavior	1	2	3	4	5

BODY MAINTAINCE

Care of body	1	2	3	4	5
Harmony between breath and action	1	2	3	4	5
Training of body	1	2	3	4	5
Overall fitness	1	2	3	4	5
Rhythm	1	2	3	4	5

