

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Completed applications must be received by the central education office for the diocese/jurisdiction with whom the student's school is affiliated, no later than **Tuesday, December 1, 2009.**

## KOHL EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM HERB KOHL EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

*Co-Sponsored by:*

**Cooperative Educational Service Agencies  
Wisconsin Council of Religious and Independent Schools  
Wisconsin Newspaper Association  
Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction**

**NEITHER HERB KOHL NOR ANYONE IN THE KOHL FAMILY PLAYS ANY ROLE OR TAKES ANY PART IN THE EVALUATION AND SELECTION OF THE FINAL CANDIDATES OR RECIPIENTS OF THE KOHL SCHOLARSHIP/FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM.**

### GENERAL INFORMATION

Student's Name <i>First, Middle Initial, Last</i>	Telephone <i>Area/No.</i>
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Age	E-mail Address
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Student's Mailing Address <i>P.O. Box or Street</i>	City	State	Zip
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School Name	No. of Students in Grades 9-12	CESA No.
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School Mailing Address *P.O. Box or Street, City, ZIP*

Principal's Name	Principal's Email Address	Telephone <i>Area/No.</i>
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Diocese/Jurisdiction and Address *Street, City, ZIP*

Administrator's Name	Telephone <i>Area/No.</i>
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**WHEN PREPARING APPLICATION, PLEASE USE FULL NAMES NOT ACRONYMS  
(e.g., use Future Business Leaders of America, not FBLA)**

### SIGNATURES

**I CERTIFY** that the applicant is a student in good standing and demonstrates probable success in postsecondary education.

Signature of High School Principal	Date
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Signature of Student	Date
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**A COPY OF THE STUDENT'S TRANSCRIPT MUST BE ATTACHED AS THE FINAL DOCUMENT OF THE COMPLETED NOMINATION PACKAGE (FOLLOWING THE LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION).**

**MUSIC AND SPEECH RELATED ACTIVITIES**

Please indicate the number of years in which you have participated in music- and speech-related activities while in grades 9-12. Limit your response to the space provided.

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Number of Years of Participation</b>
Orchestra .....	_____
Band .....	_____
Chamber .....	_____
Instrument(s) played: <i>Please list</i> _____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
Voice:   Choir .....	_____
Solo .....	_____
Theater:  Musical Production .....	_____
Drama .....	_____
Dance: <i>Please Specify</i> _____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
Speech .....	_____
Forensics .....	_____
Debate .....	_____
Other Activities: <i>Please Specify</i> _____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

**Individual Achievement:** Please list contest awards (for example, regional, conference, or state recognition; team captain) you have received while in grades 9-12. Limit your response to the space provided.

Describe the value of participating in these activities to you and others. Limit your response to the space provided.



**ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES**

Please indicate the number of years in which you have participated in the following activities (include interscholastic and intramural activities) while in grades 9-12. Limit your response to the space provided.

Activity	Number of Years of Participation
Baseball.....	_____
Basketball.....	_____
Cheerleading.....	_____
Cross Country.....	_____
Fencing.....	_____
Football.....	_____
Golf.....	_____
Gymnastics.....	_____
Hockey.....	_____
Soccer.....	_____
Softball.....	_____
Swimming.....	_____
Tennis.....	_____
Track and Field.....	_____
Volleyball.....	_____
Wrestling.....	_____
Other: <i>Please Specify</i> _____	_____
_____	_____

**Individual Sport Achievement/Special Recognition:** Please list individual achievements or recognition (for example, conference, regional, sectional, state, team captain) you have received while in grades 9-12. Limit your response to the space provided.

Describe the value of participating in these athletic activities to you and others. Limit your response to the space provided.



**OTHER SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

Please list all school activities in which you have participated while in grades 9-12. Indicate the number of years in the appropriate space. In addition, if you have held office(s) in any organization, so indicate along with any special honors, awards, or recognition received. **Activities included on this page are activities not listed on pages 2 and 3.** Limit your response to the space provided.

Activity	Number of Years of Participation	Office Held/Honors/Recognition
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Please list all civic and community activities in which you have participated while in grades 9-12. Limit your response to the space provided. School requires community service for graduation.  Yes  No

Activity	Number of Years
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Describe the value of participation in these activities to you and others. Limit your response to the space provided.

**WORK EXPERIENCE, HOBBIES, OUTSIDE INTERESTS, AND SPECIAL TALENTS**

**Work Experience (paid or unpaid)** while in grades 9-12. Limit your response to the space provided.

Where Have You Worked	Duties	Length of Time
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

**Hobbies/Outside Interests/Special Talents/Awards or Recognition** while in grades 9-12. Limit your response to the space provided.

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

What have you learned from your work experience, hobbies, interests, and talents? Limit your response to the space provided.

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**STUDENT ESSAY**

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- Write a 300-500 word essay describing your goals in the following:
  1. Future education
  2. Personal life
  3. Community/society service (indicate if school requires community service for graduation.)
  4. Career
- Type your name and school at the top of your essay.
- Your essay should be typed in no less than 12 point font and be double spaced with 1" margins on all sides.
- *More than 500 words will not be considered part of the application.*

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**LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION**

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- Submit **three** letters of recommendation, one **from each** of the following categories. These recommendations represent 18 percent of the score at the state level.
  1. Teacher
  2. Counselor or principal
  3. Community member (for example, an employer, physician, member of religious community) or family friend (*family members are excluded*)
- All three recommendation letters must be attached to your application. *If more than three letters are submitted, they will not be considered part of the application.*
- **Photocopy the following information and give to each individual who will be writing a letter on your behalf.**

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Dear Principal, Teacher, Counselor, Community Member, or Family Friend:

- To enhance a student's nomination for a Kohl Excellence Scholarship, it is essential to have **specific** examples of noteworthy improvements, contributions, or successes in an area or areas such as leadership, citizenship, school activity, service to the community, and scholarship. Letters of recommendation represent 18 percent of the applicant's score at the state level.
- At the beginning of your letter of recommendation, indicate in what capacity you have known the nominee **and** for what period of time.
- You may also address attributes such as honesty, cooperation, integrity, acceptance of responsibility, positive attitude, initiative, compassion, and entrepreneurship. Limit your letter to **one page** in no less than 12 point font. *Additional pages will not be considered part of the application.*
- Date and sign the letter of recommendation.

Your letter of recommendation needs to be given to the nominee for inclusion with the total application package.

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