

# Mayor's Scholarship Fund 2027
# John & Olive Adams Foundation Application

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the Mayor's Scholarship Fund Adams Foundation Award. We are delighted you are applying. Obtaining a good education is essential to being successful and making a difference—in your own life and in the lives of others. We commend you for your determination to continue your education and the academic achievement you have already attained.

Please be thorough in completing this application. You are responsible for making sure all the forms are filled out properly and submitted on time. Use the checklist below to help you complete the application. Applications are due by **Wednesday, February 3, 2027.**

Sincerely,
Mayor's Scholarship Fund & Adams Foundation
Boards of Directors

**Application Checklist**

- ☐ A school counselor or CCA has verified my GPA & test scores and initialed the form.
- ☐ All forms are signed as needed by applicant and parent.
- ☐ **Two** letters of recommendation and signature forms are attached but **NOT** in an envelope.
- ☐ I have answered each section thoughtfully and have not written on the back of any page.
- ☐ I have reviewed my application with a parent, teacher, counselor or other informed adult.
- ☐ I have proofread this application thoroughly.
- ☐ I will submit ***2 single-sided, stapled*** copies (original and one copy) of this application **in order**. I ***do not*** need to include the cover sheet or checklist pages.
- ☐ **I recognize that if I fail to submit the application as outlined above, that it will not be considered during the application review process.**

APPLICATIONS DUE WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2027

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**The Program**

The John & Olive Adams Foundation is a private family foundation established in 1961 for the purpose of helping students pursue post-secondary education at Idaho universities. The Adams Foundation will award scholarships to qualifying students who plan to further their education at a college or university accredited by the Northwest Commission of Colleges and Universities within the state of Idaho. This is a renewable scholarship for up to four years while enrolled in a qualifying institution and maintaining a minimum GPA of 3.0. Applicant must be a **current high school senior and reside in Bonneville County**. The scholarship is intended for students who plan to study in the broad fields of **physical science or social science.** No deferments are allowed and scholarship must be requested by Fall of 2027.

**Eligibility**

Applicants must reside in Bonneville County, Idaho **and** qualify under at least **one** of the following:

- Top 20% of graduating class
- Score 24 on ACT or 1110 on SAT
- Cumulative unweighted GPA 3.5 or higher

**Application**

To apply, students must submit the following in duplicate (original and one copy):
A completed application form with applicant & parent or guardian signature including:

- Personal information sheet.
- A personal statement of about 250 words
- A personal essay
- Two letters of recommendation (one must be from a school administrator, counselor, teacher or other school official.)

**Application Deadline**

Applications are **due Wednesday, February 3, 2027.** They may be submitted to a college and career advisor or school counselor no later than the close of school that day. Applications may also be mailed to:

Mayor's Scholarship Fund
P.O. Box 2323 Idaho Falls, ID 83403
Mail-in applications must be received by 4:00pm on the deadline date.

**Selection of Recipients**

Eligible applicants will be evaluated on the basis of information supplied. Emphasis will be placed upon student GPA, school/community involvement, citizenship, and future promise. All recipients will be notified of the results following our application evaluations in February. Award recipients are expected to attend all scholarship program events including a photo and video shoot in March as well as a recipient reception and awards ceremony in April.

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**Full Name**

| Given Name(s) | Last |
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**Address**

| Number, Street, City, Zip Code |
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**Contact Information**

| Applicant Email (please no school email addresses) |
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| Parent/Guardian Email |
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| Name(s) of Parent(s)/Guardian(s) |
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| Applicant Phone Number<br>(  ) | Parent Phone Number<br>(  ) |
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**School Information**

| School Currently Attending | Grade |
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| Unweighted GPA | Verification Ititials | ACT or SAT Score | Counselor or CCA Printed Name |
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**Statistical Data** (For records only. Does not affect your application status.)

| Gender | Ethnicity or Race |
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**Signatures**

By signing below, I affirm this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. If selected, I agree to participate in all Mayor's Scholarship Fund Events.

Applicant Signature_____ Date_____

By signing below, I indicate I have reviewed my child's application and hereby give my consent for my child to be considered for this award.

Parent Signature_____Date_____

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**Future Educational Plans**
(Recipients ***must*** attend an institution in **Idaho** by the Northwest Commission of Colleges and Universities)

| List the Idaho Colleges or Universities you are considering: |
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**Fields of Study**
Which area(s) of Physical or Social Science do you intend to study?

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| Anthropology/Archeology | Education | Mathematics |
| Astronomy | Engineering | Medical or Dental |
| Biology | Geography | Meteorology |
| Chemistry | Geology | Oceanography |
| Communications | History | Political Science |
| Computers/IT | Hydrology | Physics |
| Criminology | International Relations | Psychology |
| Ecology | Law | Sociology |
| Economics | Linguistics | Statistics |

| Other areas of interest: |
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**Personal Statement**

The John & Olive Adams Foundation seeks students who are committed to a path of rigorous academic excellence and meaningful contribution. Please craft a short personal statement that defines your purpose, the values that drive you, and the legacy you wish to leave behind. (About 250 words)

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**Personal Essay**

The John & Olive Adams Foundation is dedicated to supporting students who demonstrate exceptional academic commitment and a clear vision for how their education will translate into meaningful contributions in their communities and future work the fields of physical or social sciences. Your personal essay should address **all** of the following topics:

- **Your Academic Journey**: Describe your academic experiences so far. You might include specific courses, projects, work, service or extracurricular activities that deepened your interest in a particular course of study or career path. Reflect on how those experiences helped drive your academic commitment throughout high school.

- **Goals and Alignment**: Articulate your academic goals for your college years. What is your your personal motivation for choosing this educational path? How do you believe this chosen course of study aligns with your personal statement and future career aspirations. Explain why you have chosen to pursue your education at an Idaho university.

- **Future Contributions**: Do you believe you have a responsibility to society? How do you believe your education will serve as the foundation for your future impact in your community or career field? How might your work lead to positive changes in the field or contribute to society as a whole?

Please use specific anecdotes and details rather than general statements and please do not use AI to generate your essay. Your essay should be 11/2-2 typed pages and include this prompt at the top.

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**Adult Letter of Recommendation**

Please assess the applicant's character and strengths. Comment on how well the applicant is prepared to pursue their post-secondary educational goals. We are interested in the positive contributions, future promise, motivational and maturity level the applicant demonstrates, leadership potential, special talents etc. Please use specific anecdotes and details rather than general statements so that we can get to know this applicant. Complete the signature box below and attach letter. Please do not use envelopes.

(**Applicants**: Please provide this prompt to the individuals writing your letter of recommendation)

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| Position/Title/Organization | Phone |
| Printed Name | Relationship to Applicant |
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