

Taylor Burdette Scholarship

The Taylor Burdette Scholarship was established in 2009 in loving memory of Taylor Reece Burdette who would have been a class of 2009 graduate of North Gwinnett High School. Taylor played football at North Gwinnett and loved to play golf. An avid outdoorsman, he enjoyed hunting, fishing, and off-roading. Taylor dreamed of pursuing a career in architecture and his family and friends established this scholarship in his memory to assist a graduating North Gwinnett student with similar aspirations. This scholarship is funded each year from the proceeds of the Taylor Reece Burdette Memorial Golf Tournament, the "Big T 150", held at Sugar Hill Golf Club.

This scholarship, in the amount of \$2000, is awarded annually to a graduating North Gwinnett High School Senior through the North Gwinnett Schools Foundation. Criteria for selection include the following:

Applicant must:

- ❖ Be a North Gwinnett High School Senior, scheduled to graduate in May
- ❖ Be nominated by a North Gwinnett High School Faculty/Staff Member
- ❖ Submit a complete written application with all required documentation
- ❖ Submit essay as detailed on application
- ❖ Submit portfolio as detailed on application (**OPTIONAL**)
- ❖ Submit to a personal interview with the scholarship selection committee
- ❖ Plans to study architecture or engineering related fields will be taken into consideration but are not required to apply
- ❖ Grade Point Average and financial need will be considered

Instructions for applicants:

- ❖ Complete ALL information on application
- ❖ Attach a current sealed copy of student's official transcript
- ❖ Attach a copy of college acceptance letter(s) if available
- ❖ Return all forms and information to Ms. Blackwell in the Counseling Office by **March 4, 2011**
- ❖ Incomplete or late applications will not be considered

Scholarship award money may be used for tuition, room and board, and required school expenses such as textbooks, computers, etc. Payment will be made jointly to student and the college or university of attendance. Copies of college acceptance letters must be provided to the Foundation before payment can be made. In the event the student has not received notification of acceptance at the time of the scholarship award, the money will be held until acceptance has been confirmed. In the event the student does not attend college as planned, the student will forfeit the award and is responsible for the reimbursement to the Foundation of any award monies not expended.

The Taylor Burdette Scholarship is presented annually at the NGHS Honors Night Ceremony.

The Burdette Family reserves the right to make changes to the scholarship criteria or guidelines at any time.

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2011 Application

Student's Name _____

Student's Email _____

Date of Birth _____ Phone Number _____

High School Cumulative Grade Point Average: _____ Name of Nominating NGHS Faculty/Staff Member: _____

Extracurricular Activities & Clubs at NGHS and in the community (you may attach a separate page if necessary):

Leadership positions at NGHS and in the community: _____

Essay and Optional Portfolio Requirements:

- Please submit an essay along with this application. In this essay, please write about your post secondary plans and tell how this scholarship will help you accomplish your educational goals. What makes you the best candidate for this scholarship? Reflect on your high school experience. If you are planning to study in architecture or engineering related fields, how will your architectural, mechanical drafting or technical engineering class experience influence your college choice?
- **Optional**-Please submit a portfolio of your best work with your application and essay. Include ten pencil drawings and ten Auto Desk program drawings. Please be sure to secure your work within a portfolio labeled with your name and contact information. It will be returned to you at the interview.
- You will be notified regarding an interview with the Taylor Burdette Scholarship Selection Committee. The interviews will take place the week of March 21, 2011. If there is any after-school activity that needs to be considered when scheduling your appointment, please note below:

I declare the above information to be correct and complete, to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the North Gwinnett Schools Foundation reserves the right to verify this information and may revoke any award in the event that it is found to be inaccurate or falsified. I understand that, if I am selected as the scholarship recipient, the check will be made out jointly to me and the college of my choice. If I should decide to attend another institution, I must contact the Foundation office immediately, so appropriate changes may be made. If I should decide not to continue my education next year, the scholarship funds must be returned to the North Gwinnett Schools Foundation, Taylor Burdette Scholarship Fund.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Signature of Nominating Faculty / Staff Member _____ Date _____

Please attach a current, sealed copy of official transcript and college acceptance letter(s) if available. Incomplete applications will not be considered. DUE DATE-MARCH 4, 2011.