



FINISH LINE SCHOLARSHIP
Part 1

Purpose: The purpose of this award is to assist undergraduate students who have made significant progress toward a degree but have serious financial challenges affecting their ability complete their degree. The Bayfield Education Foundation believes that every undergraduate student should have the chance to cross the diploma finish line. If awarded this scholarship it will be paid directly to the college.

Up to three Finish Line Scholarships will be awarded each year. Applications for fall semester will be accepted until July 15. Applications for the spring semester will be accepted until November 15. The summer semester deadline is April 15. Applications *should be mailed to*
Bayfield Education Foundation Finish Line, PO Box 1658, Bayfield, CO 81122

Eligibility for the Finish Line Grant:

Applicants must

- be a graduate of Bayfield, Colorado High School;
- be a U.S. citizen or legal resident;
- have a 2.5 GPA or above;
- demonstrate financial need;
- be within two semesters of graduating (32 credits or less to complete), **OR**
- be in the final semester for an AA degree/technical certificate;
- be currently admitted/enrolled/pursuing a degree at the time of the application;
- have a college advisor complete page 2 of this application.

Applicant Name (printed) _____ Date _____

Applicant's Signature _____

Student ID number: _____ G.P.A.: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

If awarded this scholarship, when would the college need to receive it? _____

The degree you are pursuing _____ Anticipated Graduation Date: _____

How many credits are needed in order to graduate _____, and what is your plan/timeline to earn those credits: _____



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Please list what you have been doing in order to financially support yourself while attending college as well as list the amount and source of any other financial support you are receiving:

Part 2

Advisor, please complete this page for _____
Applicant

Please indicate compliance in the requirements below.

- Student is a first time undergraduate
- Student is in good academic standing, having a GPA of 2.50 or higher
- Student is within two semesters of graduating (32 credits or less to complete) **OR**
- Is in the final semester for an AA degree; **AND**
- Has a plan for completing the coursework

Total remaining credits to complete minimum degree requirements: _____ Credits to complete

Student's degree checklist is attached to this application

Please include any additional notes explaining the student's academic situation that will be helpful to the Scholarship Committee. If additional space is needed please include it on a separate page.



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Signature	Name Printed	Date
Title	Email address	Phone #

Part 3

Personal Statement Essay

Write an essay explaining why you should receive this scholarship and how the study of your major field has influenced your perspectives. Please include a statement regarding your financial need or a copy of your official Financial Aid Award Letter. Please limit your statement to between 450-500 words. Attach this sheet to your statement.

As part of this scholarship application process, I hereby authorize the College and its departments to access my College transcript and financial aid status in order to provide information to a representative of the Bayfield Education Foundation.

I further claim that to the best of my knowledge, all information contained in my application materials is accurate.

Applicant Signature	Date
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Part 3

To the student: Complete the sections below and provide this form to a faculty member in your major department along with an envelope addressed to: Bayfield Education Foundation Finish Line, PO Box 1658, Bayfield, CO 81122.

___ I waive my right to inspect the contents of the following reference.

___ I do not waive my right to inspect the contents of the following reference.

Applicant Name (printed) _____ Date _____

Applicant's Signature _____

To the reference: The student named above is an applicant for the Bayfield Education Foundation Finish Line Scholarship. The purpose of this scholarship is: to assist undergraduate students who have made significant progress toward their degree but are having serious financial challenges affecting their ability to complete their degree. Your recommendation will help determine the applicant's suitability for this scholarship. **Please return it within two weeks from the date above.**

In general, please state how well you know the applicant and for what length of time. More specifically, what is your overall evaluation of the applicant with regard to his/her ability to complete the degree within two semesters? _____



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Eligibility: Candidate must be an undergraduate student progressing regularly toward degree and be within two semesters of graduating, in good academic standing, (2.5 GPA or above), and be able to demonstrate that he/she has been working to support him/herself while in college.

_____ Signature	_____ Name Printed	_____ Date
_____ Title	_____ Email address	_____ Phone #

___Please call me, I would like to speak directly to a scholarship committee member.

Applications will be scored using a rubric. Each category can be awarded up to 5 points. The categories on the scoring rubric are as follows:

Application - is thoroughly filled out

Essay – Essay provided the information asked for; essay is compelling; word requirement is met; mechanics, style and content will be considered.

Recommendation from faculty member provided

Academic Record

Financial Need

Advisor Statement

If you are chosen as a Finish Line Scholarship winner you will receive detailed information regarding the disbursement of funds. **Thank you for taking the time to complete an application.**