



Minute Maid Grand Slam For Youth Baseball Scholarship Application

You are applying for the Minute Maid Grand Slam For Youth Scholarship. Annually, Minute Maid Grand Slam For Youth Baseball awards 25 - \$ 5,000 Scholarships. Since the scholarship program inception, Minute Maid Grand Slam For Youth Baseball has awarded more than 300 scholarships and grants to Houston area high school seniors. 144 of these scholarship and grant recipients were first-generation college students.

Please read and follow all instructions carefully to be considered.

This application is a fillable PDF. We will only accept applications that are received typed in this format. Type in all the information requested. Double click on the lines and type in the information. Limit your responses to space provided. **All fields must be filled in. Use n/a if a field is not applicable.**

Once you have completed the entire application, you will want to save the form/application and print out the entire finished document. (You will need to print "Recommendation Form" for those you ask to submit a confidential recommendation)

Your application package must include:

- One (1) completed application (Just pages 3,4 5,6,7,8,9,10 and 11)
- Two (2) sealed envelopes each containing a completed recommendation form (Page 12)
- **Do not print double sided. Do not staple pages! Do not include any other information. Do not send recommendations separately.**

Please make sure the email address you listed on your application is valid and one you check regularly.

We will use that email address to communicate with Semi-finalists and Finalists, in some cases with time sensitive information needing immediate response.

The entire application package should be put in envelope and be addressed to:

**Minute Maid Grand Slam for Youth Baseball - Scholarship
c/o Astros Foundation
Post Office Box 288
Houston, Texas 77001**

The completed application must be postmarked no later than Tuesday, May 1, 2018 when submitted by mail. The application package may be hand-delivered to the Union Station reception desk at Minute Maid Park no later than 12:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 1, 2018.

Probable Selection Timeline

May 1 through May 31 – Application Processing and Committee Review

June 2- Semi-finalists **Notified via email**

June 9 and 11 – Selected semi-finalist participate in a personal interview with the scholarship committee.

June 13 – Scholarship Recipients **Notified via email**

June 23 – 2018 Minute Maid Grand Slam For Youth Baseball Scholarship recipient recognition event at Minute Maid Park prior to Kansas City Royals game.



Minute Maid Grand Slam For Youth Baseball Scholarship Information and Qualifications

This application is a fillable .pdf. You must fill out the entire application on this .pdf and then print to submit. Handwritten applications will not be accepted. Please email us if you have any questions.

Qualifications for Application

Applicant must:

- reside in the Greater Houston Area which is defined as the region where Houston Astros' games are broadcast.
- graduate from a public or private secondary school by June 15, 2018;
- provide evidence of admission to a post-secondary college or university, including, but not limited to, a junior or community college, in the United States or a United States territory, as well as acceptance of that admission;
- complete and submit application along with two adult recommendations by the set deadline;
- complete a personal interview with the Minute Maid Grand Slam For Youth Baseball scholarship selection committee if selected as a semifinalist
- have participated in an organized youth baseball or softball program which could include but is not limited to T-ball, Little League, Pony League, Church Leagues, YMCA or Boys and Girls Club Instructional Leagues, City Sponsored Leagues, Select Teams. Elementary, Middle School or High School Teams, etc.
- **not** be a recruited prospective student athlete.
Specifically, applicant is not eligible for this scholarship if:
 - 1) *applicant has been provided an official visit to an institution;*
 - 2) *applicant, his/her parent(s), relative(s) or legal guardian(s) have a) any arranged, in-person, off-campus encounters; or b) any telephone contact on more than one occasion; with any representative of any institution for the purpose of athletic recruitment*
 - 3) *applicant has been issued a National Letter of Intent or has received an institution's written offer of athletic- related financial aid*

Associates and family members of associates of the Coca-Cola Company and Houston Astros are ineligible to apply/receive a MMGSFYB Scholarship.

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If you have any questions, please contact us at scholarship@gsfyb.org
Additional applications available at www.gsfyb.com



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Tell us about you!

First Name:

Middle Initial:

Last Name:

Male Female

Date of Birth:

Email Address **You** Check Daily - Very Important:

Cell Phone Number that is Text Enabled:

Very Important - The following question must be answered for your application to be considered. If unanswered, your application will be disqualified.

Where or how did you first learn about this scholarship?

High School Counselor:

Provide Name

Counselor email address

At Minute Maid Park

Television Commercial

Astros Radio

Family/Friend

Previous Recipient

Houston Parks and Recreation

RBI – Houston Astros Chapter

MMGSFYB Website

Scholarship Referral Website or Internet Search

School Website or Resource Center

Other - Please Describe

Your Address ~ Parent(s) or Guardian

Street Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Name of Father/Guardian:

Name of Mother/Guardian:

Parent/Guardian Email:

Parent/Guardian Cell Phone:



High School Data ~

Name of High School:

Name of School District or Private:

Date of Graduation:

Class Rank:

High School GPA on 4.0 Scale Weighted:

Number of Graduating Seniors:

High School GPA on 4.0 Scale Un-weighted:

Are you a first-generation college student?

A first-generation student is defined as an applicant whose parents have had no college or university experience.

Yes No

Post-Secondary School Data ~

Name of College or University you plan to attend. (If undecided, please list in order of preference the two (2) schools to which you have applied.) Use official school names. Do not use abbreviations.

School:

City:

State:

Do you have letter of acceptance? :

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State:

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Planned major or course of study:

Career Objective:

Will you live: On campus Off campus Commute from home

Anticipated Annual Cost of Tuition, Room & Board:

Other Scholarships ~

Please list the name and annual amount of any other grants, school grants in aid or scholarships you have been granted or are pending.

Name of Scholarship or Grant:

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Work Experience ~

Describe any work experience during the past four years (e.g. food server, babysitting, lawn mowing, office work, construction) where you received payment for your work. Indicate dates of employment for each job and approximate hours worked each week. List amount earned at each job.

Employer:	Position:	
From: (Month & Year):	To: (Month & Year):	Length of Employment (Months):
Hours per week:	Total Earnings:	

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Activities, Awards or Honor ~

List top seven (7) activities you have participated during the past four years. School activities (e.g., student government, music, sports, etc.) and/or community activities you have participated (e.g., Boy/Girl Scouts, hospital volunteer, Special Olympics, etc.). Note special awards, honors and offices held.

Activity:	Years of Participation:
Title or Offices Held:	
Awards/Honors:	

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Participation in Youth Baseball or Softball ~

Please list your participation in youth baseball or softball including leagues/teams and years of play. [List no more than three (3)]

League/Team:

Location:

Years of Play:

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Essay Questions ~

The committee members would like to know more about you.

Following are four (4) essay questions. Please read each carefully and respond. Your essays will give committee members a better insight in reviewing your application. Limit your responses to a maximum of 300 words.



Essay Question One: What activities (academic, athletic, cultural, community-related, occupational, etc.) do you participate in that builds and reflects your character? Limit your responses to a maximum of 300 words.



Essay Question Two: Where do you see yourself 10 years from now? Limit your responses to a maximum of 300 words.



Essay Question Three: Not including your parents, grandparents or guardians, who has been the most influential person in your life and why? Limit your responses to a maximum of 300 words.



Essay Question Four: What would you like the scholarship committee to know about you and your journey to date? This could include any unusual circumstance that has shaped or impacted your abilities or academic credentials, personal responsibilities, achievements or talents, education or goals.

Two recommendations are required: one from a teacher, and one from a counselor, employer, coach or religious leader. The recommendations should reflect the applicant's qualifications for the scholarship and his/her character. Please use the form that is part of this application. The forms should be submitted in a sealed envelope with applicants name written on envelope. Below, please provide the names of the two (2) people submitting recommendations on your behalf along with their titles and email addresses:

Recommender Name:
Recommender Title:
Recommenders' email:

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Minute Maid Grand Slam for Youth Baseball has sole responsibility for selecting recipients based on criteria set forth in application. This application and related material becomes the property of Minute Maid Grand Slam for Youth Baseball. (Please keep copies for your files.)

I acknowledge decisions of Minute Maid Grand Slam for Youth Baseball are final. I certify that I meet the basic eligibility requirements as described. I certify that the information I have provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. If requested, I agree to provide proof of information I have given on this application. Falsification of information may result in termination of any scholarship granted.

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____





Scholarship Recommendation Form

(Applicant: Please copy this blank form as necessary for each person submitting a recommendation)

In 2005, the makers of Minute Maid and the Houston Astros announced the Minute Maid Grand Slam For Youth Baseball Scholarship Program to provide scholarships to greater Houston-area high school graduating seniors. The scholarship committee appreciates your insight into this applicant's citizenship, emotional maturity, leadership, teamwork, and work ethic. Please go to our website www.gsfb.com to learn more. Thank you!

Please Note! - Complete this form; place the form in an envelope and seal. Return sealed envelope to the applicant with their name on the front of envelope as soon as possible. Application deadline is **May 1, 2018**.

Applicant's Name _____

Applicant's Attributes

NOTE: Use the evaluation scale on the following basis-- 1: Applicant doesn't exhibit the named attribute; 2: Applicant is below average in the named attribute; 3: Applicant is average in the named attribute; 4: Applicant is above average in the named attribute; or 5: Applicant is far above average in the named attribute.

Citizenship	1	2	3	4	5	Comments: _____
Emotional Maturity	1	2	3	4	5	Comments: _____
Leadership	1	2	3	4	5	Comments: _____
Teamwork	1	2	3	4	5	Comments: _____
Work Ethic	1	2	3	4	5	Comments: _____

Written Recommendation (This is required.)

What makes applicant deserving of consideration Grand Slam for Youth Baseball Scholarship?

(Use another sheet if more space is needed do not use back of this page)

I certify that the applicant named above is known to me and the evaluation is based on my personal knowledge and beliefs.

Name _____ Contact phone number _____

Your email address _____

Relationship to applicant _____ How long have you know applicant? _____

Signed _____ Date _____