



Minute Maid Grand Slam For Youth Baseball Scholarship Application Instructions - Please read carefully.

Beginning in 2017, the Minute Maid Grand Slam For Youth scholarship program will be awarding 25 - \$ 5,000 Scholarships. Please read and follow all instructions carefully to be considered.

The application is a fillable PDF. Type in all of 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 include any other information. Do not staple pages!**

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.

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 Monday, May 1, 2017 when returned by mail. The application may be hand-delivered to the Union Station reception desk at Minute Maid Park no later than 12:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 2, 2017. Application may be submitted after February 1, 2017.

Probable Selection Timeline

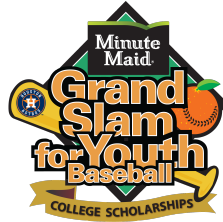
May 4 through May 24 – Application Processing and Committee Review

May 26 - Semi-finalists **Notified via email**

June 3 and 5 – Selected semi-finalist participate in a personal interview with the scholarship committee.

June 7 – Scholarship Recipients **Notified via email**

June 17 – 2017 Minute Maid Grand Slam For Youth Baseball Scholarship recipient recognition event at Minute Maid Park prior to Boston game.



Minute Maid Grand Slam For Youth Baseball Scholarship Information and Qualifications

In 2005, the makers of Minute Maid and the Houston Astros announced the Minute Maid Grand Slam For Youth Baseball (MMGSFYB) Scholarship Program to assist greater Houston-area high school senior boys and girls with college expenses.

Since the scholarship program inception, Minute Maid Grand Slam For Youth Baseball has awarded more than 261 scholarships and grants to Houston area high school seniors. 103 of these scholarship and grant recipients were first-generation college students

This application is a fillable .pdf. You must fill out the entire application on this .pdf and then print to submit.

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, 2017;
- 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, Houston Astros and Astros Foundation 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



Minute Maid Grand Slam For Youth Baseball Scholarship Application

Tell us about you!

First Name:

Middle Initial:

Last Name:

Are you Male or 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 in order for your application to be considered. If unanswered, your application will be disqualified.

Where or how did you first learn about this scholarship? Check one and fill in

High School Counselor - Provide Name:

At Minute Maid Park

Direct Email/Advertisement

Family/Friend/Previous Recipient

Fastweb.com or scholarship referral website

Houston Parks and Recreation

Internet Search

MMGSFYB Facebook Page

MMGSFYB Website

NACAC College Fair

Radio

RBI - Houston Astros Chapter

School Resource Center

School Website

Television

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 E-mail:

Parent/Guardian Cell Phone:



High School Data ~

Name of High School:

Name of School District or Private:

Date of Graduation:

Class Rank:

Number of Graduating Seniors:

High School GPA on 4.0 Scale Weighted:

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 or 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?:

School:

City:

State:

Do you have letter of acceptance?:

Planned major or course of study?:

Career Objective:

Will you live on or 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 or scholarships you have been awarded.

Name of Scholarship:

Amount of Scholarship:

Granted or Pending?:

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Granted or Pending?:



Work Experience ~

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

Employer & Position:

From-Mo/Yr - To-Mo/Yr:

Hours per week:

Total Earnings:

Employer & Position:

From-Mo/Yr - To-Mo/Yr:

Hours per week:

Total Earnings:

Employer & Position:

From-Mo/Yr - To-Mo/Yr:

Hours per week:

Total Earnings:

Activities, Awards or Honor ~

List your top seven (7) school activities in which you have participated during the past four years (e.g., student government, music, sports, etc.) and community activities in which you have participated without pay during the past four-years (e.g., Boy/Girl Scouts, hospital volunteer, Special Olympics, etc.). Note all 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.

We have selected the following questions for you to answer to the best of your ability. Your responses will give us a better insight in reviewing your application. Limit your responses to a maximum of 300 words.



Essay Question One: Other than the obvious values of teamwork and leadership, what impact has baseball or softball had on your development outside of baseball/softball. 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: Please describe how and when any unusual circumstance has shaped or impacted your abilities or academic credentials, personal responsibilities, achievements or talents, education or goals. Limit your responses to a maximum of 300 words. (If no Unusual Circumstances, respond with Not Applicable)

Two letters of recommendation are required: one from a teacher, and one from a counselor, employer, coach or religious leader. The letters should comment on the applicant's qualifications for the scholarship and his/her character that reflects highest ethical standards. 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.gsfiyb.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 4, 2016**.

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 a Grand Slam for Youth Baseball Scholarship?

(Use another sheet if more space is needed)

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 _____