

Billy Crowe Scholarship Fund

Background and Purpose

William “Billy” Crowe

Billy Crowe was born and raised in Maury County and was a graduate of Spring Hill High School Class of 1950. He joined the Army National Guard and the U.S. Army 101st Airborne Division and served in the Korean War. He was married to Ms. Jean Crowe for 69 years, and together they built a life as dairy farmers for over 50 years. Billy Crowe was the first person in Maury County to be presented with the Outstanding Young Farmers of the Year award by Farm Bureau. Later in life, Billy Crowe also became a successful realtor and co-owner of Crowe-Potts Realty. He loved being a farmer and a realtor and knew Maury County well. He was a fun-loving guy whose favorite past time was fishing with his buddies. He was a member of the Herbert Griffin American Legion Post 19, charter member of the Spring Hill Lions Club, and a member of Spring Hill First United Methodist Church. Billy Crowe’s family is proud to offer a scholarship in his honor to a young person from Maury County.

Eligibility

The applicant must be a current resident of Maury County Tennessee with plans to pursue a post high school degree or certificate at a community college, college or university, or technical school. The applicant must be a high school senior or recent GED graduate without full time post-secondary experience.

Applicant should have applied to a post-secondary program, and acceptance will be verified before scholarship is awarded.

Preference will be given to students with an Agriculture background or interest in studying an Agriculture related field, but others are welcome to apply.

Preference will be given to applicants who plan to be full-time students, but part-time students may also apply.

Preference will be given to students showing financial need.

Applicants with less than perfect academic records are encouraged to apply.

All applications must be complete and contain all required signatures.

Certification

The application MUST be certified as eligible by the applicant's guidance counselor, or equivalent certifying official if home schooled or a GED recipient.

Amount of Award

One scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 will be awarded annually.

Due Dates

Applications will be due on April 1 each year. Awards will be announced by May 1.

Use of Award

This award may be used toward tuition, fees, instructional materials or supplies. All awards will be paid directly to the institution of enrollment from the TN 4-H Foundation.

Evaluation Criteria

1. **Statement of Purpose/Goals:** Include a statement describing your vision for the future including short- term and long- term goals to make that vision a reality. These goals may include educational, professional, and personal goals. An expressed desire or passion to complete the path of post- secondary education/training should be included.
2. **Strengths:** Highlight your strengths that will help you succeed in your program of study.
3. **Personal Characteristics:** Personal character will be considered. Include examples of persistence, leadership ability, work ethic, dependability, and reliability.
4. **Participation in clubs and organizations;** Include school clubs, community groups, community service, family responsibilities, work experience, and others.
5. **Academic Achievement:** Include a statement of your academic achievement. Highlight your strengths and explain your weaknesses.
6. **Statement of Candidate:** Use this section to tell the selection committee why you should receive this scholarship.

The Family of Billy Crowe will select the recipient of this scholarship and reserves the right to amend this document on an annual basis.

Procedure for Application

1. Complete the Application below including an honest response in each section.
2. Include a copy of your high school transcript or GED documentation.
3. Obtain guidance counselor or certifying official signature.
4. Mail complete application to:
UT Extension, c/o Starla Hardin
P.O. Box 415
Columbia, TN 38402

Billy Crowe Memorial Scholarship Application

Personal Information

Name _____ Phone Number _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email: _____

Parent/Guardian Contact Information

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email: _____ Phone Number _____

County of Current and Permanent Residence: _____

Educational Information

High School of Attendance _____

Graduation date: _____

GED Graduate No Yes If yes, date _____

College/University/Technical School you plan to attend

Name of school _____

Address of school _____

Contact for payment _____

Have you already applied to this school? Yes No

Have you been accepted? Yes No

What will be your intended major or course of study, if decided?

Financial Information

Are you eligible to receive federal or state assistance such as SNAP/School Lunch program, etc.

Yes

No

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Strengths

Describe your strengths and explain how those will help you succeed.

Personal Characteristics:

Include examples personal character such as persistence, leadership ability, work ethic, dependability, and reliability.

Participation in Clubs and Organizations or Other Activities:

Describe involvement in school clubs, community organizations, and community service activities including involvement with 4-H or FFA. Family responsibilities and work experience may be listed. Describe any honors, recognition, or awards received.

Academic Achievements:

Include a statement of your academic achievement. Highlight your strengths and explain your weaknesses.

Why are you the best candidate for this scholarship?

Use this space to tell the selection committee why you should receive this scholarship. Include any additional information the committee should know about you and any agriculture ties that have not already been disclosed in other sections. You may also include house-hold financial situation, if relevant, such as income, extreme expenses, extenuating circumstances, and/or eligibly for assistance programs (SNAP, free lunch program, etc.).

Guidance Counselor/College Advisor Certification

I certify this student as eligible for this scholarship.

School _____

Phone Number _____

Email _____

Title _____

Signed _____ Date _____

Applicant Certification:

I certify the information contained in this application concerning my ability, work experience, financial aid, community involvement, education plans, extracurricular activities, scholastic achievements as well as any other information provided herein is correct and truthful.

Name _____

Signed: _____ Date _____