



The Elinor Miller Science Scholarship

Purpose: To honor Elinor Miller, Founder of The Banner School, by providing current Banner School students who show aptitude and interest in science with scholarship funds to be used towards their tuition.

Program Administration: Scholarship awards may range from \$500 to \$2,000 based on the number of qualified recipients.

Applicant Eligibility: Primary School students in kindergarten through 4th grade and Middle School students in grades 5 through 7 are eligible to apply for the scholarships. Applicants should possess a proven track record of success in the classroom, as well as an intrinsic love for science.

Submission of Applications: Interested students must complete the Application Form* and prepare an Essay*. The essay may be handwritten or typed. Students currently in kindergarten through 2nd grade may receive assistance from their parents in preparing their essay. Parents must specify where and how they have assisted in the writing or typing of the essay. Students currently in the 3rd through 7th grades are expected to compose and prepare this essay on their own.

The essay for students in kindergarten through 2nd grade must be one or more paragraphs in length. In this essay, students should describe their aptitude and interest in science in the school setting; how this passion for science extends to activities and experiences outside of school; and why it is important to study this subject in school.

The essay for students in grades 3 through 7 should be a minimum of two thoughtful, well planned, and carefully composed paragraphs. In this essay, students should describe their aptitude and interest in science in the school setting; one memorable science lesson, experiment, or project at Banner; how this passion for science extends to activities and experiences outside of school; and why it is important to study this subject in school.

*The Application and Essay Forms can be downloaded from RenWeb (under Resource Documents) or The Banner School website (click on the Scholarship Link on the Tuition & Financial Aid page).

Selection Process: The Application Form and the Essay Form must be submitted to The Banner School, Attn: Scholarship Selection Committee, on or before **March 23, 2012**. The applications will be reviewed by the Committee comprising the Head of School and the Principal. The Committee may request input from appropriate teachers on staff.

Scholarship Awards: Awards for the 2012-2013 school year will be announced no later than April 30, 2012. Only students who are enrolled for the 2012-13 school year will be recognized and eligible for awards.