



SUTHERLIN BLACKBERRY FESTIVAL  
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## **Sutherlin Blackberry Festival Scholarship Introduction**

**The Sutherlin Blackberry Festival Committee awards scholarships to qualified, eligible and deserving graduating seniors of Sutherlin/Oakland High Schools annually.**

Hello, my name is Tom Maddux and I am the new Scholarship Coordinator for the Sutherlin Blackberry Festival Scholarship program.

This year we have made a few changes to the program that I would like to share with you. We will be awarding 2 Academic Scholarships, 8 Trades Scholarships, and **NEW** this year we will be adding a Returning (2<sup>nd</sup> year) Trades Student Scholarship. Each of these Scholarships will be worth \$1,000 each for a total of \$11,000. These Scholarships are funded by the proceeds from the Sutherlin Blackberry Festival each year.

The Returning (2<sup>nd</sup> year) Student Scholarship is for Students enrolled in a field of study classified as a Trade. It will assist those whose program requires more than 1 year of schooling/training. You are encouraged to reach out to those who you know maybe qualified and help us spread the word!

You may make as many copies of the Applications and Guidelines sheets as you need.

The Blackberry Festival Scholarship Committee reserves the right to award more, less or none of the stated Scholarships.

**Application Deadline: April 30, 2024**



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## **Sutherlin Blackberry Festival Scholarship Application Guidelines**

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These are a one-time award and are not recurring. They will be awarded after high school graduations and available for fall terms. In the case of the returning/trades student, it will be awarded after spring term and available for fall term. Scholarships not used by Spring term of the year following their award will be **forfeited**. Grade transcripts will need to be submitted with the applications.

Trades students are encouraged to apply for the Returning Student Scholarship after completing their first year of school/training. Trades students are welcome to reapply for as long as they are in school/training.

Checks will be issued to your College/School for your student account.

Winners will be determined by the Sutherlin Blackberry Scholarship Committee. Applicants will be judged based on field of study, need, accuracy of completing application, and the short biography.

Applications must be **RECEIVED** (not postmarked) by April 30, 2024. For applications or more information see your High School Counselor or contact us at: [blackberryfestivalsutherlin@gmail.com](mailto:blackberryfestivalsutherlin@gmail.com).

Sutherlin Blackberry Festival reserves the right to award more, less, or none of the above Scholarships at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee.

Also, three letters of recommendation from people who can attest to your accomplishment, integrity, need, and service need to be included. Please indicate their relationship to you (i.e. Clergyman, adult relative, employers, adult friend or recipient of your service).

Blackberry volunteers spend an enormous amount of time planning and preparing for the Festival and other projects they are responsible for each year. Committee members and other volunteers are committed to improving the lives of our citizens through service to our community. Our scholarship program is intended to promote community involvement, so in addition to your financial need, we are very interested in your prior community service. We wish you well in your future and hope that you will always consider how you may serve others in need.