



The Cricket Foundation Blake Hadden Memorial Scholarship 2026 Scholarship Eligibility Rules and Regulations

Statement of Purpose

The purpose of The Cricket Foundation Scholarship is to provide local area high school golfers with assistance in obtaining a quality four (4) year college or university education.

Scholarship Funding

The scholarship amount will be for the first year of college only and will be awarded to an incoming college freshman.

The scholarship funding will be used for the sole purpose of reimbursing the recipient for tuition, books, and fees. The cost of room/board and/or transportation are not included. In the unlikely event that the amount of the scholarship more than pays for the college-related expenses, the scholarship recipient may petition the Foundation to use excess funds for other expenses.

Scholarship Eligibility

A candidate for the Scholarship must meet the following criteria:

1. Have a high school grade point average of no less than 3.0.
2. Have been a member of a high school golf team in the CSRA for at least one season. (Public and private schools that are within the CSRA). Schools must permit a representative of the Foundation Board to present the Scholarship at their School Awards Assembly.
3. Be accepted and plan to attend a four (4) year college or university.
4. Must not be the recipient of a full athletic or academic scholarship.

Scholarship Application Process

For the Foundation to consider a candidate for the Scholarship, he/she must agree to the following:

1. Write and submit an essay of 250-300 words. The purpose of the essay is to provide insight into the candidate's objectives in obtaining a college education and to explain the part golf has played in his / her life.
2. Provide the Foundation with a transcript of high school grades and S.A.T. or A.C.T. scores.

Scholarship Application Process – continued

3. Submit to the Foundation 3 letters of recommendation. One letter must be from a golf coach or athletic director. One letter must be from a teacher of an academic subject. **Letters must be specific and pertain to the applicant (no form letters).** There will be no extension for late letters.
4. Respond promptly to all Foundation requests for information including, but not limited to:
 - Information on all scholarships awarded to date for the upcoming Freshman year
 - Status of college plans for the upcoming year
5. Agree that the final decision of the Foundation regarding the recipient of the scholarship is binding and will not be challenged for any reason.
6. **Deadline for all Applications – March 31, 2026**

Mail or submit application to: The Cricket Foundation
 Blake Hadden Memorial Scholarship
 Attention: Selection Committee
 Post Office Box 126
 Augusta, Georgia 30903

Questions regarding this application can be e-mailed to: cricketfoundationbh@gmail.com

Scholarship Maintenance

1. The scholarship recipient will agree to attend any activities of The Cricket Foundation at a mutually agreed upon time and place. This includes any banquet or awards presentation.
2. The recipient will agree to allow his / her picture and biographical information to be used in press releases and other public relations activities consistent with winning a college scholarship.
3. The recipient must notify the Foundation of any change in contact information, including permanent address, email address, or phone number.
4. Before receiving the scholarship funds, the recipient must write a letter to the Foundation stating that he/she is not receiving a "full ride" scholarship for the upcoming academic year.
5. The recipient must notify the Foundation of any transfer between colleges or universities or if he/she is no longer attending college during their freshman year.



THE CRICKET FOUNDATION
BLAKE HADDEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
2026 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

ONLY HARD COPIES OF THIS APPLICATION WILL BE ACCEPTED. ALL APPLICATIONS ARE CONFIDENTIAL.

Name _____ Age _____

Phone # _____ Cell # _____

Address: _____ City _____ Zip _____

Social Security # _____ High School _____

Legible Email Address: _____

High School G.P.A. (10th grade through 1st semester of 12th grade)

Weighted _____ Non-weighted _____

I understand that this scholarship is only for my first year of school at a four (4) year college or university and may not be applied to Graduate School. The following is my current preference for colleges or universities. (If you have been accepted and have committed to a school, list only that school).

1st choice _____ 2nd choice _____

3rd choice _____ 4th choice _____

I have participated on my high school golf team at _____

Seasons: _____

Has any other scholarship(s) been granted? _____ Amount: _____

Please keep pages 1– 2 for your records. Submit only pages 3 and 4, plus the required documents to the Cricket Foundation prior to the deadline on March 31, 2026.

I understand that the process, as defined in the official eligibility rules, to determine the winner of this scholarship may involve additional participation on my part in an interview with members of the Foundation.

My signed application indicates my agreement to accept the Foundation's rules and regulations, my consent to the use of my picture and biographical information as described in paragraph 2 of the Scholarship Maintenance Section on page 2 above, and my willingness to participate and support the selection process.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Signature _____

Parent Signature _____

Signature of Recommending Academic Advisor or Golf Coach:

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Finalists for the scholarship may be required to attend an interview. The date for the interview will be determined at a later date. Candidates will be informed of interview times by email. Please provide an email address and personal phone number on the first page of the application where indicated.