

**BARNEVELD SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**

**Purpose:** The Barneveld Scholarship Committee will select graduating seniors each year for local scholarships. These scholarships will be presented at an annual awards ceremony.

**Membership:** The committee shall consist of eight members listed below. Representatives from the Board of Education, community and teaching staff will rotate every other year. No member of the committee shall be an immediate family member of a potential scholarship recipient.

School Administrator  
High School Guidance Counselor  
Board of Education (2)  
Members of the Community (2)  
Teaching Staff (2)

**Philosophy:** The Board of Education believes that each student planning to continue his/her education beyond high school should be provided with financial assistance consistent with his/her academic performance. Unless prohibited through criteria established by the donor, academic achievement, i.e., cumulative grade point average through the first term of the senior year, will be the first criteria for scholarship selection.

At the donor's request, the scholarship will be based on need. The Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) number will be used to rank order applicants for this purpose. The EFC number is listed on the Student Aid Report.

**Organization:** The Scholarship Committee chairperson (high school guidance counselor) will convene the committee in February each year to provide new members with background information on the scholarship process, establish a time line for scholarship selection, and review application procedures. Upon receipt of applications, the committee will convene as many times as necessary to complete the selection process.

**Application Process:** The high school guidance counselor will make available to each senior a committee-approved application form by the end of the second week in March. This form will be returned to the guidance office by the end of the first week in April. Each student will be required to attach an essay of no more than two pages to the application form. If the student wishes to apply for need-based scholarships, the EFC number must be included on the application.

***The Barneveld School District does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, religion, creed, age, national origin, ancestry, pregnancy, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity or disability.***

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