

2011-12 Far West Masters Scholarship Application

Thank you for your interest in the Far West Masters Scholarship Program. We encourage all Far West athletes from second year J3s through J1s to apply. We will occasionally fund exceptional athletes who are first year J3s or Mids. In the past we have also made awards to athletes who have been turned down in previous years and to athletes who have previously won a scholarship. Scholarships are awarded based on a combination of (and in order of importance) citizenship, exemplary work ethic, academic scholarship, financial need, and race results.

Applications are due September 15th 2011. Awards are made by early November. Funds are then placed into racers' accounts from which they may draw upon during the season for racing expenses. In return for funding, the Masters ask that recipients forerun one of their races and speak at an awards ceremony. The experience has proven to be quite fun as it allows a junior athlete to show his or her stuff and to thank the Masters in person for their support. Your participation by speaking and selling raffle tickets at our awards parties is an important contribution to our fund raising efforts and it helps to teach about "giving back".

We are here to help, so please consider applying to this program. As always, it is an honor to receive applications from such a great group of athletes. Thank you in advance for applying.

Eddie Mozen, Masters Scholarship Fund Chairman

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Application Guidelines & Instructions

- 1. Application should be no greater than ten pages including recommendations
- 2. Please **submit three copies** of application
- 3. All applications must be typed
- 4. Application and attachments should be sent to Far West Masters Scholarship Program c/o Eddie Mozen; PO Box 3718; Olympic Valley, Calif. 96146.
- 5. You may include a return postcard to ensure that your application was received on time and is complete.
- 6. Please provide 3 letters of recommendation: one from your parent or guardian, one from a peer and one from a teacher, academic advisor or community leader. Letters should focus on academics, sportsmanship, leadership, work ethic, community service and obstacles or personal difficulties you have overcome.
- 7. Please provide a certified copy of your most recent report card and previous year's transcript from your school. If not in school, please explain your circumstances.
- 8. Applications must be received by September 15th, 2011. Late applications will not be considered.
- 9. Examples of essays written by previous winners can be found at www.farwestmasters.org in the Scholarship Program section of the web site.

Cover Page - include the following:

Picture: 3x3 color head and shoulder shot

Name:

Mailing address:

Telephone:

E-mail address (Preferred communication mode from us to you. Communications are easier and less expensive through e-mail. Please let us know if you do *not* want us to contact you through e-mail):

Birth date:

Level you will compete at for 2011-2012 (i.e. second year J3, first year J2, etc)

Race Team/Program:

Primary or Head Coach and phone:



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Page 2:

- Essay (One Page): Why should you be awarded this scholarship?

Pages 3-5:

- Biography of yourself which may include the below questions
- Your favorite school subjects, how you combine education with ski racing, and your educational goals
- Other sports and hobbies you participate in
- What it is about skiing and racing that makes you excited
- Ski racing is expensive for all, why do you in particular need financial assistance?
- Awards or scholarship?
- What does sportsmanship mean to you as a ski racer?
- How do you now or plan to give back to the sport

Pages 6-7: should cover the following areas

- Explain your training program on snow and off. How many days per year do you train and how does this help and relate to your racing?
- Please include:
 - 1. Other sponsorship (please list)
 - 2. Funding sources (please list)
 - 3. Any other awards you have received (Please list)
- What are your ski racing objectives for the next 12 months?

Pages 8, 9 10: should include your three Recommendation Letters

(Please make these one page in length)