

# Recommendation Form for the Corella and Bertram F. Bonner Scholarship

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All application materials, including letters of recommendation, must be received by the Earlham College Bonner Scholars Program office no later than March 15.

Because of the large volume of applications being processed by our office, we do not routinely acknowledge receipt of materials. If you wish to know that your materials have been received, the best method is to submit materials via E-mail with a read receipt requested. If acknowledgment of a mailed or faxed recommendation or application is desired, please send an E-mail to [bonner@earlham.edu](mailto:bonner@earlham.edu) and allow at least 24 hours for response. Please do not phone to inquire about receipt of materials unless you do not have access to E-mail.

## To the applicant

Complete the three lines below. Give this form to an individual, program, or agency with whom you do volunteer work or to someone outside your family who is familiar with the qualities and activities which qualify you for the Bonner Scholars Program.

Submission of letters via E-mail or regular mail is strongly preferred. Legibility of faxed materials is sometimes a problem so please only fax materials if the other methods are not possible. You are asked **not** to submit the same materials by more than one method (e.g., please do not both E-mail and fax your application or both fax and mail the letter of recommendation).

**If the letter will be mailed, please provide the recommending individual a stamped envelope addressed to:**

Earlham College Bonner Scholars Program  
801 National Road West  
Richmond IN 47374-4095

Recommendations may also be E-mailed to [bonner@earlham.edu](mailto:bonner@earlham.edu) or faxed to the Bonner Scholars Program at **765/983-1894**. E-mail submissions should be sent as attachments in Microsoft Word (.doc), Rich Text Format (.rtf) or Adobe Acrobat (.pdf) format. Forms may be downloaded at [www.earlham.edu/bonner](http://www.earlham.edu/bonner).

Name of applicant \_\_\_\_\_  
last first middle

Home address \_\_\_\_\_  
number and street city state zip code

High School \_\_\_\_\_

## To the recommending individual

**Please attach this form to your letter of recommendation.**

This individual is applying for the Earlham College Bonner Scholarship and has asked that you write a letter of recommendation. A strong component of Earlham's vibrant Quaker heritage includes the long-standing traditions within the Society of Friends (Quakers) of service to others and deep respect for each individual. Out of this respect grows a concern for equality and social justice. Service to others is a reflection of these concerns.

The Bonner Scholars Program offers financial support to students with substantial financial need who want to attend college. The Program provides them with an opportunity to engage in community service activities while in school.

The Bonner Scholars Program is designed to identify worthy and qualified students who need financial assistance, enable students to serve others, provide academic support and enrichment activities to students, and encourage students to earn their college degrees. Participants in the four-year Bonner Scholars Program commit to carry out an average of ten hours of service per week during the school year and at least two summers of service and receive a scholarship to help with college expenses. The Program provides a structured developmental progression which encourages students to develop leadership ability and expertise which can be applied to their chosen vocational path. For more information about the Bonner Scholars Program please visit [www.bonner.org](http://www.bonner.org) and [www.earlham.edu/bonner](http://www.earlham.edu/bonner).

It is important that we learn as much as possible about this candidate's volunteer service, family responsibilities and/or work experiences. In recommending this individual for the Bonner Scholarship, please address the following: how long you have known the candidate and in what capacity; your understanding of why the candidate wishes to pursue volunteer service; the candidate's ability to serve others; ways in which the candidate has grown through service and work experiences in the past; how the candidate manages time and prioritizes multiple interests and obligations; and any additional observations that you believe would be relevant.

Your letter should include your name, job title, full mailing address, telephone number and E-mail address.

Thank you for your help. If you have questions, you may call the Bonner Coordinator at **765/983-1276** or toll-free at **800-EARLHAM**.