

History:

The Student Activity Financial Assistance Fund began with a donation from the Whitener Foundation to the Education Foundation Inc. of Caldwell County honoring Helen Hall for her care and concern for children. Dr. Hall requested the donation be used to help students participate in educational experiences which are unattainable without such a fund. Since its inception, the Student Activity Financial Assistance Fund has been strengthened by funding from the Education Foundation.

What is the Student Activity Assistance Fund?

The fund is used to assist individual students during the school year who **cannot** participate in class-wide curriculum related or academic activities without financial assistance. After school athletic activities or medical needs are not awarded under this fund. Students requiring financial assistance may request up to \$50.00 per year. If a student is participating or performing in a national competition additional funds may be available up to \$100.00.

Who is eligible?

Students K-12 enrolled in the Caldwell County School System are eligible to apply. All applicants shall be considered without regard to race, age, color, sex, national origin or disability. Priority will be given to activities that specifically relate to the **grade level** standard course of study.

How to apply?

Students at the elementary and middle school levels must have a teacher or parent fill out the application. **Applications may not be mass produced, i.e. statement of need etc. copied for a group of students participating in the same activity. Each application must be individualized.** The application must be signed by the parent (legal guardian), the sponsoring teacher and the school principal. High school students may apply for themselves and must include the same signatures listed above.

Deadline for requests:

Applications are reviewed every other month by the scholarship committee. **Please plan ahead. Applications must be received before the scheduled activity. Applications received after May 1 will not be considered.**

Selection:

A committee appointed by the Education Foundation selects recipients. Applicants will be notified after the mid-month committee meeting. All decisions are subject to the discretion of the committee.

Due to IRS reporting, funds not spent must be returned to the Education Foundation.



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of
CALDWELL COUNTY

Student Activity Financial Assistance Fund



Due to the large number of requests, the following activities are considered low priority and may not be funded:

- **Field trips to recreational parks, such as Carowinds, Tweetsie Railroad Dollywood, Bo's, Disney World, Bush Gardens, Hickory Dickory Dock, NASCAR, Panthers and Crowdads, Cherokee, and snow ski and roller skating parks**
- **Trips to area malls or shopping centers**
- **Award trips**
- **Trips that do not address grade specific Standard Course of Study**
- **Field trips to movie theaters**
- **Requests for an entire class**
- **T-shirts**
- **Medical needs**
- **After-school athletics**
- **Mass produced applications**
- **Multiple field trip requests through the year on one application**
- **Applications received after a field trip has occurred**
- **Grammar school ski trips will not be funded**

Return to: Education Foundation Inc. of Caldwell County
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Questions?

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Application Form
STUDENT ACTIVITY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FUND
The following sections must be complete and all signatures obtained.
Incomplete application will not be awarded.

Name of student, parent (legal guardian), or teacher filling out application:

Student's Name _____ Age _____
School: _____
Address _____ Zip Code _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____
Amount Requested (up to \$50.00 per year)

Description and Date of Activity:

Statement of Need: (Why funding is needed?)

Recommendation of Sponsoring Teacher: (Why student should participate?)

Student's Signature: _____ (If student is applicant)
Date: _____

Parent's Signature: _____
Date: _____

Teacher's Signature: _____
Date: _____

Principal's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Scholarships received after trip will not be funded.
Scholarships received after May 1 will not be funded.
Incomplete scholarships will not be funded.