



*BRYAN POLICE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION
MARK HIATT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM*

"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world." – Nelson Mandela

Bryan Police Officers' Association



HISTORY ABOUT THE BRYAN POLICE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION MARK HIATT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Bryan Police Officers' Association (BPOA) Mark Hiatt Scholarship Program was established after the death of Bryan Police Officer Mark Hiatt. On December 2, 2000, Officer Mark Hiatt was responding to a funeral escort on his motorcycle. A truck failed to yield right of way making a left turn in front of Mark at the intersection of 29th Street and Haswell Dr. Mark was 37 years old and served 6 years with the Department. Mark left behind a wife and two children. Officers remember his infectious smile "No matter what kind of day it was, Mark was always smiling."

BPOA is excited about giving our ___ annual Mark Hiatt scholarships this year. The recipients will be announced in June and a presentation will be made to them. The Association will then make payment directly to the institution of the recipient.

Scholarship Criteria

Each applicant must:

- Complete the BPOA scholarship application
- Provide a copy of your acceptance letter from an accredited post-high school technical/trade school, junior/community college or university
- Provide an original, sealed high school transcript, minimum GPA of 3.0
- Provide 3 teacher recommendations forms and 1 law enforcement recommendation form (attached to the application)
- Provide an essay on why you feel you should be selected as a recipient, your future goals, and your life experiences that have influenced you to choose your career path.

Essay should be typed, at least one page, but no longer than two pages in length, Times New Roman, size 12 font, double spaced with one inch margins.

If selected, you will be notified by phone, mail, and/or email. There will be a scholarship presentation at a later date to be determined.

For any questions, please contact the scholarship chairperson, Aaron Winton at (979)209-5300 or awinton@bryantx.gov.



Mark Hiatt

Scholarship Application

Applicant Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Email: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Are you a U. S. Citizen? Yes No

SAT and ACT scores should be from official printout and attached to back of application

SAT score: Critical Reading: _____ Math: _____ Writing: _____ Total: _____

ACT score: Composite: _____ Writing: _____

Official transcript should accompany application

High school GPA: _____ Ranked: _____ in a class of: _____ students

Educational and Career Plans

College/University you wish to attend:

First Choice: _____ Are you accepted?: _____

2 year college 4 years college Vocational/Technical School

Second Choice: _____ Are you accepted?: _____

2 year college 4 years college Vocational/Technical School

Major course of study:

First Choice: _____ Second Choice: _____

Career:

Briefly state your career goals for after college

Applicant Work Experience

Do you intend to work while going to college? Yes No

Do you currently work? Yes No

If yes, please indicate your employment records below.

Employer	Date employed from	Until
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Scholarship/Aid:

List all scholarship names, financial aid, and amounts you have been awarded

Activity Records (pages 4-5)

You must complete pages 4-5 on this form – please **DO NOT** write “see attached” or add any other pages. Please include a brief description of your involvement and check the class years you participated.

<i>Student Government</i>					
Elected Class Officer	Description	9	10	11	12
<i>Organizations/Clubs</i>					
Club	Description	9	10	11	12
<i>Athletics</i>					
Sport	Position Played	9	10	11	12

Teacher Recommendation Form

Student: _____ ID Number: _____ Date: _____

Teacher: _____ Subject: _____

The above named student has asked you to submit a recommendation form on his/her behalf. We are grateful to you for taking the time needed to complete this form. Please evaluate this student based on the criteria listed below by placing a check in the appropriate box by using the scale below to rate the applicant in relation to his/her peers. **Once your form is completed, please place your form in a sealed envelope and return to the student.**

Qualities to Rate	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Exceptional
Leadership characteristics				
Ability to work with others				
Verbal communication skills				
Written communication skills				
Maturity				
Attendance				

- _____ I strongly recommend this student
- _____ I recommend this student without reservation
- _____ I strongly recommend this student with reservation
- _____ I DO NOT recommend this student

Comments

Teacher Signature

Date

Law Enforcement Recommendation Form

Student: _____ ID Number: _____ Date: _____

Officer Name: _____ Department: _____

The above named student has asked you to submit a letter of recommendation on his/her behalf. We are grateful to you for taking the time needed to complete this form. **Once your letter is completed, please place your letter in a sealed envelope and return to the student.**



- _____ I strongly recommend this student
- _____ I recommend this student without reservation
- _____ I strongly recommend this with reservation
- _____ I DO NOT recommend this student

Officer Signature

Date



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Check list for complete scholarship application:

Application is written legibly and all questions are answered.

Included is a copy of an acceptance letter from an accredited post-high school technical/trade school, junior/community college or university.

Included is an official, sealed, high school transcript. (See your school's Registrar)

Included are the 2 teacher recommendations forms and 1 law enforcement recommendation form.

Included is a typed essay, no more than two pages, Times New Roman font, size 12 double spaced with one inch margins.

- Please do not include resumes.
- Please do not use staples or paper clips.
- Please do not print on both sides. One sided pages only.

Failure to meet criteria, complete the application and/or meet the deadline, will result in an automatic disqualification.



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Please send pages numbered 1-9 of the applications and all required documents to:

BPOA Mark Hiatt Scholarship Program

Attn: Aaron Winton

303 E. 29th St.

Bryan, TX 77803

Or

May be delivered in person

Application Deadline:

All applications must be received or postmarked on or before

APRIL 1, 2026

No exceptions will be made!