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Mr. Eugene Norris, a native of Newberry, SC, came to Beaufort in 1955 after accepting a position as an English teacher at Beaufort High School. He quickly acquired a reputation among students as "the teacher you will love." In fact, after just a short tenure, a senior class yearbook was dedicated to him. The students of the class of '68 attended Beaufort High during his teaching career. He not only gained their love and respect as a teacher but his popularity continued to grow as many of his students experienced his compassionate and understanding nature. Mr. Norris was as much their friend as he was a teacher and was even like a parent to some. His reputation has not diminished since his arrival in Beaufort. Even today students that attended Beaufort High School want to include him at class gatherings and reunions. He is truly a special individual and because of the impact he has had on so many, the Beaufort High School Class of 1968 has established this scholarship in honor of him.

Mission

The Eugene Norris Scholarship Fund aims to assist a deserving student each year from Beaufort High School (B.H.S.) so that they may attend a college or university to reach their educational and career goals.

Scholarship Awards

Awards are \$1,000 each and may be used for educational expenses during the first year of college. One scholarship will be awarded to a deserving student from B.H.S.

The Beaufort High School Class of 1968 provides administrative and financial support for the Eugene Norris Scholarship. Awards are given without regard to race, color, creed, religion, gender, disability or national origin.

Eligibility Criteria

Specific criteria for high school seniors are:

- Maintain a cumulative grade point average of 2.75 or higher on a 4.8 scale (CP or the equivalent).
- Demonstrate participation in community service and/or extra curricular activities.
- Demonstrate financial need.
- Receive written recommendations and signatures from a school counselor, a B.H.S. teacher, and a person not related to the student. These recommendations are part of the application form - no separate letters are required.
- Plan to enroll in an accredited four-year college, university, no later than fall 2004.

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Information, Guidelines and Application

Application Process

Students must complete the entire application for the current year's program. The student, school official, and a parent/guardian must sign the application. It should be submitted with a current complete high school transcript of grades to Gay Rodgers, Chairman BHS Class of '68 Eugene Norris Scholarship, 5363 Hartford Circle, Charleston, SC 29405 postmarked no later than February 27, 2004.

Applicants are responsible for completing all necessary information, getting required signatures, and submitting all required information on or before the deadline. Students chosen to receive awards may have their information and photographs publicized as part of our publicity.

Awardee Selection

Awardees are selected on the basis of academic achievement, extra curricular and/or community involvement, financial need, and recommendations by their school. All applicants will be notified of our selection by April 10th, 2004.

The winner will be announced at the Spring 2004 Awards Assembly at Beaufort High School.

Payment of Awards

Scholarship payments are authorized by the B.H.S. Class of '68 Committee to establish the Eugene Norris Scholarship (E.N.S.) Payments will be made in one installment of \$1,000 on August 1. Awardee must be enrolled in their educational programs no later than the 2004 Fall term. Checks are mailed to each recipient's home address and are made payable to the school for the student.

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TYPE OR PRINT ALL INFORMATION EXCEPT SIGNATURES

Completeness and neatness insure your application will be reviewed properly.

Application postmark deadline: February 27, 2004.

APPLICANT DATA	Last _____ First: _____ Middle Initial: _____
	Address: _____
	City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
	Telephone: _____ E-Mail: _____
	Date of Birth: Month: _____ Day: _____ Year: _____
	Social Security Number: _____

PARENT OR GUARDIAN INFORMATION	Last Name: _____ First: _____ Middle Initial: _____
	Address: _____
	City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
	Telephone: _____ E-Mail: _____
	Relationship To Applicant: _____

FINANCIAL NEED	Please check any of the below that best describes your financial need:
	<input type="checkbox"/> Student receives free / reduced lunch
	<input type="checkbox"/> Single parent household
	<input type="checkbox"/> Unemployed parent
	<input type="checkbox"/> More than one family member in college
	<input type="checkbox"/> Family receives AFDC, Social Security or other public financial need
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other, please explain: _____

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Describe any paid work experience during the past four years (e.g., food server, babysitting, lawn mowing, office work, etc.). Indicate dates of employment for each job and approximate number of hours worked each week. List hourly wage at each job.

WORK EXPERIENCE	Employer / Position	From Month/Year	To: Month/Year	Hours Worked/Week	Hourly Wage

List all school and volunteer community activities in which you have participated during the past four years. (e.g., student government, music, sports, Boy/Girl Scouts, hospital volunteer, Special Olympics, etc.).

ACTIVITIES, AWARDS AND HONORS	Activity	No. of Years Participating	Special Awards Honors	Offices Held

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UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES:

Please describe any unusual circumstances relating to your family's financial need.

OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS APPLIED FOR:

*Receiving other scholarships will neither deny nor affirm this application.

SCHOOL VERIFICATION

This section is required and must be completed by the high school official (principal, counselor, or advisor) in the space provided. If incomplete, the application will not be evaluated. Please print or type all information. Do not attach a separate recommendation letter.

To assist in selecting recipients, please make a brief statement describing the applicant and why you recommend this student:

I have reviewed the applicant's responses and certify that they are correct to the best of my personal knowledge and/or are from the student's official school record. In order for the application to be complete, I have attached the student's official transcript of grades, including the grading scale and G.P.A.

School Official's Name: _____ Title: _____
(Please Type or Print)

School Official's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Telephone: _____

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RECOMMENDATIONS (B.H.S. teacher and person not related to the student) To assist in selecting recipients please make a brief statement describing the applicant and why you recommend this student:

TEACHER:

BHS Teacher:
Please print or type _____ Telephone: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

PERSONAL REFERENCE:

Name:
Please print or type _____ Telephone: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

The student is responsible for submitting all materials to the Eugene Norris Scholarship committee on time. This application for a scholarship becomes complete and valid only when the Eugene Norris Scholarship Committee has received all of the following materials:

Student Application, including:

- Completed Financial Need Section
- Completed School Verification
- Two Recommendations
- Student Signature
- Parent/Guardian Signature
- Official Transcript of Grades (including grading scale)

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CERTIFICATION

The Eugene Norris Scholarship Committee has the responsibility for selecting recipient based on criteria as set forth in the program's information and guidelines.

This application becomes the property of the Eugene Norris Scholarship Committee. It is recommended that you keep a copy for your files.

I acknowledge that decisions of the Eugene Norris Scholarship are final. I certify that I meet the basic eligibility requirements of the program as described in the Information and Guidelines and that the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. If requested, I agree to provide proof of information I have given on this form. Falsification of information may result in termination of the Eugene Norris Scholarship. I agree that if selected as a recipient, the Eugene Norris Scholarship may use my name, photograph, and any information provided in this application or subsequent materials for purposes of news and publicity, publications, and all promotions of this program, including current and future promotions.

Applicant's
Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian's
Signature _____ Date _____
(Required if applicant is under 18)

All materials, including transcript, must be addressed to: Gay Rodgers
Chairman B.H.S. Class of '68
Eugene Norris Scholarship
5363 Hartford Circle
Charleston, SC 29405