

# **2017-18 Far West Masters Scholarship Program application**

**We encourage all Far West Skiing Alpine athletes 14-20 years old to apply. We will occasionally fund exceptional athletes who are 13 years old. Scholarships are awarded based on a combination of (and in order of importance) exemplary work ethic, academic scholarship, citizenship, financial need, and race results.**

**Applications are due September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Award winners are announced in mid-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 off their 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".**

**As always, it is an honor to receive applications from such an excellent group of athletes. Thank you in advance for applying.  
Eddie Mozen, Chairman Masters Scholarship Fund**

## **Far West Masters Scholarship Application (Application Guidelines & Instructions)**

- 1. Application and attachments should be sent to Far West Masters Scholarship Program c/o Eddie Mozen; PO Box 3718; Olympic Valley, Calif. 96146. If sending a hard copy, please send 3 copies of the entire application.**
- 2. Entire applications may also be submitted on line on the Far West SKIING website <http://www.fwskiing.org>**
- 3. You may include a return postcard to ensure that your application was received on time and is complete.**
- 4. 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.**

**5. 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.**

**6. Applications must be complete and received by September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.**

**7. Please include a 3x3 color head and shoulder picture of yourself to be used for publicity purposes**

**8. 8.BE TRUE TO YOURSELF**

**-fill out the application yourself. You will be much more satisfied with the result when you put in the effort.**

**-write what YOU think, feel and believe...don't write what you think we want to hear. This is your chance to be yourself and distinguish yourself from others.**

**Name:**

**Mailing address:**

**Telephone:**

**E-mail address (Preferred communication mode from us to you. Communications are easier and less expensive through e-mail.):**

**Birth date:**

**Race Team/Program:**

**Primary or Head Coach and phone:**

**Please include a brief biography of yourself which may include any or all of the below topics**

- Your favorite school subjects, how you combine education with ski racing, and your educational goals**
- Other sports and hobbies you participate in**
- Ski racing is expensive for all, why do you in particular need financial assistance?**
- other 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**
- Funding sources (please list)**

- **What are your ski racing objectives for the next 12 months?**

**Essay (500-750 words) choose one of the four. The essay options are taken directly from college application essay questions. These are difficult and meant for older students than you. Ask questions and seek help but make sure the answers and writing are your own.**

**Note: that if you will be applying for the Stacey Cook scholarship, these are the same essay topics.**

### **Lehigh University-**

**“If your name were an acronym, what would it stand for and how would it reflect your strengths and personality?”**

### **Texan Christian University-**

**“Take a blank sheet of paper. Do with this page what you wish. Your only limitations are the boundaries of this page. You don’t have to submit anything, but we hope you will use your imagination.”**

### **Yale University-**

**“What is something about which you have changed your mind in the last three years?”**

### **University of California**

**“You are in a car driving from Maine to California and are allowed to bring only one person, dead or alive. Who would you select to bring and why? “**