

Christopher Branch Memorial Swimming & Diving Scholarship

To the applicant:

Please read the following pages carefully. The *Christopher Branch Memorial Swimming & Diving Scholarship* will award two \$2,500.00 scholarships, one to a female and one to a male. Applicants must meet all criteria required and submit a completed application.

Who is Eligible?

Eligible applicants must **be graduating seniors** in the State of Maine. Applicants must also be a participant in the Maine High School State Swimming & Diving Meet (both individual qualifiers and relay swimmers are eligible).

Application Requirements:

The applicant must submit a head coach's recommendation as well as an academic recommendation. In addition, the *Christopher Branch Memorial Swimming & Diving Scholarship* requires the submission of a written essay. **The three parts of this Scholarship application must be received by January 26, 2024.**

Part 1: Applicant information & Essay:

Christopher Branch dedicated a large part of his life to the sport of swimming and diving in the State of Maine. He was described as having many exceptional virtues. During his celebration of life, a former swimmer, who wrote Christopher's eulogy, characterized him by five exceptional virtues: high work ethic, selflessness, responsibility, honesty, and compassion.

What five virtues do you possess and why do you think they are important? Please submit a typed essay that is a minimum of 250 words with your entire application.

Christopher Branch Memorial Scholarship Application (Filled out by applicant)

Swimmer's Name: _____

Home Address: _____

High School Attended: _____

College or Institution of Higher Learning which you will be attending:

Organizations: _____

Outside Activities: (including work)

Application must be received by January 26th, 2024. Please email all parts of the application to: Julie Gomez at gomezewelwell@gmail.com

Part 2: Coach's Recommendation:

To this applicant:

This form must be completed by your head coach. It is your responsibility to see that this form is delivered to your coach. You should provide a stamped, addressed envelope for their convenience or your coach can return the form to you to submit with the rest of your application.

Name of applicant: _____

School: _____

Number of years on the swim & dive team: _____

Please rate the applicant according to the following:

Poor – fair – good - very good – outstanding
Please, write in the appropriate response.

1. Team Leadership _____

2. Sportsmanship _____

3. Motivation _____

4. Organization _____

5. Athletic Ability _____

6. Perform to potential _____

Briefly state why you feel the applicant is deserving of this scholarship.

Coach's Signature: _____

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Part 3. Academic Recommendation:

To the applicant:

This form must be filled out by a teacher, principal, or guidance counselor. It is your responsibility to see that this form is delivered to whom you choose for an academic recommendation. You should provide a stamped, addressed envelope for their convenience or they can return the form to you to submit with the rest of your application.

Name of applicant: _____

School: _____

Please rate the applicant according to the following:

Poor – fair – good - very good – outstanding
Please, write in the appropriate response.

- 1. Academic ability _____
- 2. Motivation to learn _____
- 3. Integrity _____
- 4. Organization _____
- 5. Dependability _____
- 6. Perform to potential _____

Briefly state why you feel the applicant is deserving of this scholarship.

Signature: _____

Position: _____

If all parts of the scholarship are not completed and turned in by January 26th, 2024, your application will not be considered for the scholarship.

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