

**MELROSE
HIGH SCHOOL**

Application to:

The Melrose Permanent Scholarship Selection Committee

Student: _____

Class of 2009

The application process for the Melrose Permanent Scholarship Fund has three steps that must be completed satisfactorily before each applicant is considered by the committee. First is the completion of the application itself. Second, each applicant will be randomly assigned to meet with a member of the committee for an interview. Finally, all applicants must write an essay responding to one of the three questions below. An essay or writing sample that has previously been composed for a college application may be submitted in lieu of writing a new one in response to one of these questions.

The goal of the committee is to make informed and fair decisions on the allocation of the scholarship fund. In order to do this effectively, it is important for each member to share what he knows about as many students as possible. Surely, every committee member does not know every applicant well and will not get the opportunity to interview everyone. A well organized, insightful essay is something that the entire committee can read to gain a greater appreciation of the character of the applicant. In many ways it is the most important part of the application process.

- 1.) Your high school years are quickly coming to an end. What do you expect to be doing in 10 years? Whatever path you may choose for the next 5 years, where do you expect to be in 10 years? How will you be making a mark? What will you be contributing to? What values will you have taken with you that enable you to get here?
- 2.) There are many examples of leadership in our world. We all make observations and judgments of leaders around us quite often whether they be in government, sports, family like, or business. What are the attributes of an effective leader? Do leaders need to be loved by all? Does leadership define success?
- 3.) What is your recipe for success? Describe a plan that you would follow in order to reach a specific goal. How have you been successful in your high school years using your formula? Where have you fallen short and why?

Please keep in mind that it is indeed the content and the quality of your writing that will most impress the committee. The length of your work is not impressive in and of itself. One to two pages, typewritten, should be sufficient for you to convey your thoughts and feelings. Whichever question you choose to respond to, please do not feel as though you must directly address all the questions asked within the question itself. They are merely offered to provoke thought on the specific topic. Finally, the deadline for your application and essay is March 3, 2009 (no exception.) You will be contacted by a member of the committee sometime after the winter break to schedule an interview. Good luck!

**MELROSE HIGH SCHOOL
PERMANENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Elementary School attended: _____

Student's name: _____	In which field do you intend to further your education? _____
Student's address: _____	Social Security # _____
Father/Guardian Name: _____	Mother/Guardian Name: _____
Home address: _____	Home address: _____
(if different)	(if different)
Name and address of employer or firm: _____	Name and address of employer or firm: _____

a. Nature of business: _____	a. Nature of business: _____
b. Position held: _____	b. Position held: _____

*To what colleges or schools have you applied?	Accepted		Granted		Estimated
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Total Expenses

	Father	Mother
Estimated parent's yearly income: _____	_____	_____
Salaries and wages before taxes: _____	_____	_____
Other income: _____	_____	_____
Total:	_____	_____

***List high school and community activities in which you have participated actively and offices held, include any awards received.**

Sophomore Year: _____

Junior Year: _____

Senior Year: _____

***ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEET IF NECESSARY**

- **TO BE CONSIDERED FOR A SCHOLARSHIP, THE STUDENT SHOULD FILL OUT THE APPLICATION COMPLETELY.**
- **LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

Interview date: _____
Interviewed by: _____

Due Date: March 3, 2009

***Explain here any special family or business circumstances the committee should know about.**

We Declare that the information reported on this statement, to the best of our knowledge and belief, is true, correct, and complete.

Signatures **Father:** _____
 Mother: _____
 Student: _____
 Date: _____

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