

## Ryan Michael Bousquet Memorial Scholarship

Established in memory of  
Ryan Michael Bousquet  
December 8, 1981-August 27, 2007  
Esperanza High School Class of 2000



*The intention of the award is to provide a scholarship amount to a selected graduating senior from each of Esperanza High School's Men's and Women's Cross-Country Teams who will be running cross country in college. Our intention is to provide this young individual with the opportunity to work as hard and as passionately at cross-country running as Coach Bousquet did himself. He touched so many lives and inspired so many to enjoy the competition and camaraderie of distance running. This Scholarship is a legacy to the son, brother, coach, friend, and mentor that Ryan Bousquet was to all. He touched more lives than we can count, inspired more young men and women than we realize, and worked harder to accomplish what many of us can only wish for in our dreams.*

Purpose of Fund: Distributions from the Ryan M. Bousquet Memorial Scholarship Fund will be made to provide scholarships to graduating seniors of Esperanza High School's Men's and Women's Cross Country Teams. In addition to graduating from Esperanza High School (Anaheim, CA), student must also meet the following criteria:

- Plan to enroll as a student in an accredited college, or university with the intention of completing a two- or four-year degree program.
- A good student with a GPA of at least 2.0 on a 4.0 scale
- A student who has participated on the Cross Country team at Esperanza High School and plans to participate in the Cross Country team when they enroll in their accepted college/university.

To be considered, students must comply with all application procedures and due dates of the Ryan M. Bousquet Memorial Scholarship program.

### **Award Amounts and Duration:**

One time only awards will range from \$500 to \$1,000 depending upon funds available, cost of tuition, and any other special circumstances – to be determined at the discretion of the review committee.

### **Selection Process**

The Memorial fund scholarship grants will be promoted to students of the Men's and Women's Cross County Teams at Esperanza High School located in Anaheim, California.

The review and scoring of applications will be conducted by the Advisory Committee of the Ryan M. Bousquet Memorial Scholarship Fund on the following: meeting the criteria for applying to the fund, academic and cross country plans/ goals and participation in extracurricular and community services activities. All applications will be reviewed by a committee of advisors to the Ryan M. Bousquet Memorial Fund.

Once recipients are selected, the Advisory Committee to the Ryan M. Bousquet Memorial Fund will monitor all scholarship awards to ensure they meet the scholarship's requirements.

### **Review/Selection Committee**

The Ryan M. Bousquet Memorial Scholarship Advisory Committee will be comprised of individuals from the community who are 1) familiar with the target population; 2) have knowledge of the local educational system; 3) are able to work as a dedicated team member; 4) adhere to high standards and behavior; 5) are able to fairly and ethically apply existing selection criteria without regard for self-interest.

While the scholarship committee will be appointed by the Cross Country Booster Boards, Trish Bousquet and Kirsten Muster, the primary founders of the fund, will be active in selecting and overseeing the Committee.

**For full consideration, the application and letters of recommendation must be received no later than Thursday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009 by 5:00pm. Please fill out all items asked for and submit the completed application to: Esperanza High School Ryan M. Bousquet Scholarship C/O Kirsten Muster 5018 Calle Manzana Yorba Linda, CA 92886**

**PART I -Information**

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

School Activities, including Cross Country Team and years of participation:

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Community Activities (if applicable):

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Work Experiences (if applicable):

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Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**PART II -Essay**

Essay of 250-500 words. Choose one of the following options:

Option #1: Tell us how you plan to use your college/university years as an opportunity to further your goals of competing in the sport of Cross Country.

Option #2: How has Cross-Country benefited you personally, and why are you pursuing it at the college/university level?

**PART III – Letter of Recommendation**

Please arrange for one letter of recommendation to be submitted on your behalf following these guidelines:

- While there is no preferred format, a letter of recommendation should explain how the applicant meets the scholarship criteria. Include an address and telephone number, so that information may be clarified or verified.
- The letter can be from an Esperanza High School staff member, teacher, administrator, or activity sponsor, other than the Cross Country Coaches.
- The letter could also be from someone whose life has been positively affected by the applicant, e.g.: a community or activity sponsor, employer, clergy, teacher, peer, etc.
- The letter may be submitted directly by the letter writer or in an envelope signed and sealed by the letter writer and given to the applicant. It is the applicant's responsibility both to provide the letter writer with all relevant information and to remind the letter writer to submit the letter on time.

The contents of the letters of recommendation will be kept as confidential as current and future laws regarding confidentiality allow.

Submit letter of recommendation to:

**Esperanza High School  
Ryan M. Bousquet Scholarship  
C/O Kirsten Muster  
5018 Calle Manzana  
Yorba Linda, CA 92886**

**For full consideration of the applicant, the letter of recommendation must be received no later than Thursday, November 19, 2009 by 5:00pm.**

List the name of the person who will be writing your letter of recommendation.

Letter 1: Name \_\_\_\_\_

#### **PART IV – Transcript**

A copy of your High School Transcript must accompany the application.