Everett R. Brown Memorial Scholarship

Applicant/School Instruction Sheet

The Board of the Northeast Outdoors Foundation established this scholarship in the memory of Everett R. Brown, in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the NOF and the Northeast Big Buck Club in his roles as Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Director, Official Measurer, and NOF Director. We lost Everett on July 12, 2014, but his work to preserve, promote, and protect our outdoor and hunting heritage will never be forgotten, and will benefit hunters and outdoor enthusiasts for many years to come.

Description: This award is available for current high school seniors, recent high school graduates, and current college students who are members of the Northeast Big Buck Club and are planning to pursue (or are currently pursuing) a degree in wildlife management, wildlife related natural resource program, conservation law enforcement, or a related field of study. The mission of the Northeast Outdoors Foundation is to preserve, promote, and protect our outdoor and hunting heritage. Education is an important part of that mission. The Everett R. Brown Memorial Scholarship program was established in 2014 to encourage and promote education and leadership among future wildlife management professionals.

Awarded by: The Northeast Outdoors Foundation & The Northeast Big Buck Club

Award Amount(s): Primary Recipient: $2,500 (one-time, non-renewable); Runner-Up: $500 (one-time, non-renewable). All scholarships are to be used for tuition, fees, books, and equipment required for classes to attain a college degree from a postsecondary vocational/technical school or from a college or university. Awards will be presented during the Northeast Big Buck Club Annual Awards Banquet each year, on the third Saturday on July.

Recipients: One Primary award offered annually. One or more Runners-Up awards may be offered annually at the discretion of the awards committee.

Deadline Info: Applications are available on the NOF and NBBC websites. For 2018 awards, the scholarship application must be completed and postmarked no later than 5/1/2018 and mailed to: NOF, Everett R. Brown Scholarship, 390 Marshall Street, Paxton, MA 01612

Qualifications:

✓ Applicants must have a previous grade point average of 3.0 or higher.
✔ Have a demonstrated and consistent commitment to the support and the preservation of the hunting tradition, and/or related conservation efforts.
✔ Have demonstrated leadership experience and community involvement.
✔ Be enrolled as an undergraduate in a wildlife related natural resource program, in a four-year college/university in the United States or Canada; or pursuing a related advanced degree.
✔ Be a member in good standing of the Northeast Big Buck Club.
✔ Previous recipients of the Everett R. Brown Memorial Scholarship are ineligible.
✔ Officers and board members of the NOF/NBBC and their family members are not eligible to participate in the program.

**Selection Process:** Each application will be screened by the NOF Scholarship Committee, which will make the final decision regarding the selection of recipients. Scholarship Award recipients will be announced in July, with recipients invited to receive their awards at the annual Northeast Big Buck Club Awards Banquet. Scholarships will be awarded prior to the beginning of the fall semester/quarter.

**Application Procedures**

- Download and complete the Scholarship Application Form, including the essay portion
- Complete the student section(s) of the form.
- Write your essay per the instructions provided on the application.
- Sign the Release and Certification paragraph.
- Give the last page to your Department Head or Chairperson to complete.
- Get two letters of recommendation per the instructions on the application.
- Submit photos per the instructions on the application (photos become the property of the NOF).
- Mail the entire application form (including Department Chair section and two letters of recommendation, essay, and photos) directly to the NOF or e-mail to jbhunts@aol.com. Your application must be postmarked no later than May 1st or received by e-mail no later than May 5th.

If you would like to make a tax deductible cash donation, you can mail your check to:

NOF, Everett R. Brown Scholarship, 390 Marshall Street, Paxton, MA 01612

If you have a product or service we can use as fundraiser, please contact Jeff Brown at jbhunts@aol.com, or call Jeff @ 508.868.4918

For more information visit the NOF website at [www.northeastoutdoorsfoundation.org](http://www.northeastoutdoorsfoundation.org), or the NBBC website at [www.bigbuckclub.com](http://www.bigbuckclub.com).
Everett R. Brown
Memorial Scholarship Application

Instructions
1. Read the applicant information sheet carefully to determine eligibility before completing this application.
2. Include your full name on the upper left corner of all pages, including attachments.
3. Make sure all portions of the application are complete and include all requested enclosures. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
4. Applicant and school guidance counselor or school principal must sign application also.

Return postmarked application no later than May 1st, to:

NOF/NBBC ERB Scholarship
390 Marshall St., Paxton, MA 01612

PART I: Applicant Information:

(Please type or print)

Today’s Date: ______________________

Name: _________________________________________________________________

Street Address: __________________________________________________________

City: ____________________________ State: _______ Zip Code: ______________

Primary Phone: (_____) __________________ Secondary Phone: (_____) __________

E-mail: ________________________________

Date of Birth: _______________________

Name of Parent/Guardian with whom you reside:

__________________________________________________________ Phone: (_____) __________

Current Northeast Big Buck Club Membership Number: _________________ (must be active member to apply)

Applicant Initials: _______________ | ERB Memorial Scholarship Program
PART II: School/Study Information:

(Please type or print):

High School: ___________________________  Expected Graduation Date: ___________________________

College Preference: ____________________

Major Study Area: ____________________

List any activity school and/or academic awards you have earned
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Note: If you are currently attending college or a post-graduate program, please describe here:
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PART III: Leadership & Involvement:

(Please type or print):

List and briefly leadership positions held in high school, sports, or other organizations:
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List any activity that demonstrates outdoor and/or community involvement (i.e. Scouts, volunteer work, etc.):
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List any awards received for outdoor or community involvement:
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How did you learn about the ERB Memorial Scholarship Program?
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Applicant Initials: ______________________ | ERB Memorial Scholarship Program
PART IV: The Essay
Write a brief essay describing why you would be a worthy recipient of the Everett R. Brown Memorial Scholarship, and how you would plan to use your academic study and career to promote, preserve and protect our hunting and outdoor heritage.

Essay must be typewritten, 12-Point font, double-spaced, and should not exceed three pages. Essay must include:
- why you will be a good investment and ambassador if you are awarded this scholarship
- any experiences / background that demonstrate your conservation and preservation of our hunting heritage
- why hunting and the outdoors are important to you and your family
- how you intend to combine your education, career and passion for the outdoors

PART V: Letters of Reference
Include two (2) signed letters of reference from teachers, counselors, community leaders or clergy (do not include relatives).

PART VI: Required Enclosures (indicate that you have enclosed each item)
Complete applications must include:
- All parts of this application.
- Copy of current hunting license in at least one state (submit more if you are licensed in multiple states).
- At least two photos: a profile head shot (minimum wallet size suitable for publication) and at least one (but not more than three) favorite photos of you enjoying hunting, fishing or outdoor activities (4x6).
- Copy of current Northeast Big Buck Club Membership Card or Member number. If you are not a current member of NBBC, visit our website www.bigbuckclub.com to join, or call (508) 752-8762 to join.

PART VII: Counselor or Principal Signature and Stats
(To be completed by counselor or principal)
Current Cumulative Grade Point Average (unweighted) ____________________
*If your school does not use a 4.0 scale, please calculate and convert GPA to a 4.0 scale.
Applicant’s current rank in graduation class: ________ out of __________ (total number in class)
Signature of Guidance Counselor or Principal: ___________________________ Date: ____________

PART VIII: Applicant Signature
By signing this form, I hereby grant the Northeast Big Buck Club and/or Northeast Outdoors Foundation the unconditional right to use my name, photograph and essay in connection with press releases and/or publications. I also certify that I have read and meet the eligibility requirements for the ERB Memorial Scholarship.

Signature of Applicant: _____________________________ Date: ________________