

**Buzz Barker Scholarship Fund
Catoclin Sports Boosters
2026 Scholarship Application**

Buzz Barker was a life-long resident of the Thurmont community and a dedicated volunteer for thirty-three years to Catoclin High School athletics. He had a deep love for the students and a true interest in their success beyond high school. Upon his death, his family, friends in the Thurmont community, and the Catoclin Sports Boosters created this scholarship fund to remember and honor his dedication to area youth. The scholarship fund will award one \$1,000 scholarship each year to an outstanding CHS senior who has done well in the classroom, been involved in the athletic program, and demonstrated good character and service to the Catoclin community. Page two of this application will be validated by the CHS Guidance Counselor and Athletic Director and the remaining pages will be given to Buzz's family to select the recipient. The recipient will be selected based upon the merit of this application packet only.

Eligibility Rule - The applicant must:

- Be a graduating senior at Catoclin High School.
- Have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 through the first semester of senior year.
- Have lettered during their Junior or Senior year as a member of a Catoclin varsity sports team or participated as the official varsity team manager or statistician.

Application Instructions:

It is the responsibility of the applicant to assemble the information, as listed below, and return Part I, II, III and IV to the Guidance Office, no later than : 2:30 p.m. 5/4/2026.

No application will be processed if it is incomplete or if it is received after the deadline.

Part I: Data Cover Sheet: The attached cover sheet is to be completed and signed by the applicant.

Part II: Statements of Applicant: Each statement must be typed & limited to no more than 750 words. **Do not reveal your name in these statements.**

- A. Describe your future education plans, career goals, and how you feel that your time at CHS has prepared you.
- B. Describe an experience you have had during your high school years in the classroom, through your participation in athletics or from community service, that has had a meaningful impact on you.
- C. Buzz was a person known for his high moral character and love for those around him. Please explain what good character means to you and how you have demonstrated those values during your high school years.

Part III: Extracurricular Activities: The applicant is to complete the packet form "Extracurricular Activities". It should include all school activities, community activities, organizations and any employment experiences during the applicant's high school years. **The applicant's name must not appear on this statement.**

Part IV: Recommendation: One letter of recommendation is required. This may be from any teacher, school official, or coach of the applicant's choice; the person chosen must have a true knowledge of the applicant's abilities, dedication and character. **The name of the applicant must not appear anywhere within the recommendation letter.**

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Part I: Data Sheet

Applicant Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Name of Parent or Guardian: _____

Cumulative GPA (as of the end of first semester of your senior year): _____

Validation Signature: _____
(Guidance Counselor)

Sport(s) in which you have lettered in either your junior or senior year as an athlete, team manager or statistician:

Validation Signature: _____
(Athletic Director)

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

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Part IV: Letter of Recommendation

Instructions: This senior student athlete is applying for the Buzz Barker Scholarship through the Catoclin High School Athletic Boosters Club. The applicant has chosen you as a person capable of evaluating his or her academic/athletic abilities, character, and sense of responsibility. You are asked to provide a letter of recommendation. Please do not reveal the students name in the recommendation letter. Please return this letter to the student no later than Friday April 27, 2026 so that they have time to complete their application.