



## **BBABC Charlie Zink Memorial Scholarship Application Packet**

In 2024, the Bedford Bulldogs Athletic Booster Club established the Charlie Zink Memorial Scholarship. The response was incredible, and the impact reaffirmed our commitment to recognizing hard work, dedication, and academic excellence in honor of Charlie. In 2025, we expanded our scholarship program by adding a second opportunity with the formation of a second scholarship. The 2 deserving applicants will receive a \$1,000.00 award toward any secondary educational program expenses.

Charlie Zink was an active and driven student athlete at Bedford High School and a member of the class of 2024. Charlie passed away in 2021 after his freshman year from an undiagnosed heart condition called hypertrophic cardiomyopathy. He was always learning and always playing, and he taught us so much in his short 15 years. Charlie loved school and was influenced by so many great teachers in town who he developed meaningful relationships with. He loved writing, science, and art, but his favorite subject was math. He talked often about a career in math and dreamed of becoming an engineer that designs roller coasters. Charlie loved being part of a team. During his year at BHS, Charlie played on the freshman soccer team and basketball team and ran track. He had many individual athletic aspirations, but he was driven most by team success. He was always hustling for loose balls and crashing boards hard, and he took pride in doing the little things on the field or the court. He was often not the top scorer but was always the hardest worker. Charlie's drive and work ethic were inspiring.

Criteria:

- Must be a graduating in June of this year and planning to attend post-secondary education
- Must be a student athlete involved in multiple BHS sports
- Must be a student with a GPA of 3.5 or higher (please include transcript)
- Must exemplify qualities of a kind, hardworking teammate (A letter of recommendation from a coach is required)
- Ideally an interest in pursuing math or science, or show an academic drive
- Completion of application and short essay
- Must be a Booster Club Family Member by March 30<sup>th</sup> of graduation year.
- Submit completed application packet via email to: [secretary@bbabc.net](mailto:secretary@bbabc.net) no later than April 3, 2026



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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Booster Club Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please note all sports played by year

Freshman Year	Sophomore Year	Junior Year	Senior Year	Captain/Team Championship

Any additional awards or accolades related to your athletic career at BHS you would like to share:

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Essay Question (300 words max): Please attach a separate piece of paper with your typed essay. Include your student ID only at the top. Essay Prompt is:

“Please describe your dream job in the future and how being a student athlete prepared you for this path.”