

Bio-Rad Scholarship Program

Scholarship Program Instructions and Application Form



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Bio-Rad is a global life science research and clinical diagnostics company headquartered in Hercules, CA. Bio-Rad also has locations in Irvine, CA, Fort Worth, TX, Plano, TX, and Portland, ME. More than 60 years after its founding, the company remains committed to its mission of advancing research and improving lives worldwide through innovative scientific products and services.

We recognize the importance of involvement in our local community, and support the scientific education of students who may become the scientists of tomorrow.

Scholarship Overview

The Bio-Rad Scholarship Program assists local graduating high school students who wish to pursue careers in science or engineering. The program provides financial assistance to deserving students so they can continue their pursuit of science and engineering in higher education. This program is available to children of QSD employees as well as any students attending Irvine Unified School District.

Applications are evaluated based on students' personal connection to science and engineering, as well as the originality, clarity, and persuasiveness of their answers to essay questions.

Bio-Rad Scholarship: \$1,000

Two Bio-Rad Scholarships will be awarded.



Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for a scholarship, the applicant must:

- Be a graduating, college-bound senior from Irvine Unified School District in Irvine, CA, or a student whose parent is employed at QSD.
- Have a grade point average of 2.5 or higher
- Have already been accepted to a 2- or 4-year college at the time scholarships are awarded in May of each year

How to Apply

To apply, complete the Scholarship Application Form on the following page and return it to Bio-Rad (address on the form).

Submissions must be postmarked by March 30. Please include one copy of each of the following with your application:

- The Scholarship Application Form
- A sealed copy of your most recent school transcript
- Two letters of recommendation from a teacher, school counselor, or community leader (you may use letters used for college applications)
- An essay answering one of the questions. The essay must be at least 400 words (1.5 pages), typed and double-spaced on 8.5 x 11" paper in a standard font. **Please identify which question you are answering. Please do not use staples.**

Essay Questions

Select and answer **ONE** of the following questions:

- How is science **or** engineering making life better for people across the globe right now? Cite specific examples.
- What do you think the next big scientific **or** engineering advancement will be and how will it affect society globally?
- Who are your heroes in science **or** engineering? Please describe their contributions and explain their importance.

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Please check boxes below:

- I have read the eligibility requirements and I meet the criteria.
- I have submitted one copy of all requested documents:
 1. The Scholarship Application Form
 2. My high school transcripts
 3. Two letters of recommendation
 4. My essay
- I understand that meeting the stated eligibility requirements does not guarantee that I will be selected to receive a scholarship.

By signing and submitting my application packet, I certify that the information I am providing is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Mail the Scholarship Application Form and all required documents to:

Bio-Rad Laboratories
Attention: Community Involvement
9500 Jeronimo Road
Irvine, CA 92618

Deadline is March 30

Those selected to receive a Bio-Rad Scholarship will be notified no later than May 1.

Career interests _____

Extracurricular activities _____

Please note any challenges or obstacles you face that may affect furthering your education (optional) _____

(Note: If you do not have enough room to answer any of these questions, feel free to continue your response on a separate sheet of paper.)
Bio-Rad Scholarships are not need-based, but financial need is considered in the evaluation.

How did you hear about the Bio-Rad Scholarship Program? _____

Your signature _____ Date _____

Name _____

Home address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip _____

Phone (please include area code) _____

Email address _____

Full name of the high school you attend _____

If applicable, your school counselor (name and phone number)

Universities and/or colleges to which you have applied _____