

**David “Buddy Boy” Gonnam, Jr. Scholarship
2026 Application Form**

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Complete the application personally.
- Attach only the required essay.
- Submit the essay with the application to ensure that all items are available for review at the same time.
- Address completed application to:

Dennis Township Recreation Department
David “Buddy Boy” Gonnam, Jr. Scholarship
P.O. Box 204
Dennisville, NJ 08214

- Only applications postmarked after April 1ST and not later than midnight May 08TH will be considered. Be advised that applications become the property of the selection committee and will not be returned to the applicant.
- The selection committee will inform the selected applicants of its decision by June 20TH.

Name of Applicant _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s) _____

Future Career/Vocation _____

College/School You Plan to Attend _____

High School Graduation Date _____

Semester/Year You Plan to First Enroll in Post-Secondary School _____

Number of Years You Participated in Dennis Rec Winter Basketball _____

Number of Years You Participated in Dennis Rec Summer Basketball _____

Number of Years You Participated in Dennis Rec Travel Basketball _____

WRITTEN STATEMENT

On a separate sheet, type an essay of 200 words or less on, “How my basketball experiences at the Dennis Township Rec impacted my life”.

David “Buddy Boy” Gonnam, Jr. Scholarship Fund

Purpose: The Dennis Township Basketball Association, in order to encourage and promote academics as well as athletics in its sponsored programs, establishes the David “Buddy Boy” Gonnam, Jr. Scholarship Fund. The purpose of this scholarship fund is to financially assist one young man and one young woman with the financial responsibility of continuing their educational studies beyond high school.

Eligibility: All applicants must have participated in a basketball program sponsored by the Dennis Township Basketball Association. The applicants shall have demonstrated their interest in continuing their educational studies by applying to and being accepted at an accredited school of higher learning. Vocational and Technical schools are acceptable.

Selection Criteria: All candidates will submit an application including a 200 word or less essay entitled, “How my basketball experiences at the Dennis Township Rec impacted my life.” Qualified applicants will be determined by the Dennis Township Recreation Director. Each essay, with the applicant’s name deleted and replaced with a number to ensure impartiality, will be reviewed by a selection committee established by the Dennis Township Basketball Association. The committee shall review, discuss, and rate the essays and make a determination as to the winners. One male and one female winner shall be selected to receive financial assistance in the amount of five hundred dollars each.

Duration of Scholarship and Amount: The scholarship shall be known as the David “Buddy Boy” Gonnam, Jr. Scholarship and shall be awarded annually in June. One male and one female will be awarded \$500.00. The deadline for all applications will be May 08TH. Extensions of the above dates may be granted by a majority vote of the Officers of the Dennis Township Basketball Association.