

Every year The Ethan Foundation awards a number of grants (in denominations of \$300, \$500 or \$1000) to assist high schools with alcohol-free prom and graduation events.

To apply for a grant:

- Obtain and fill out the application form available on this website.
- Obtain a copy of *The Ethan Chronicles: Requiem for a Life Stolen*. The book is available through this website, major booksellers, and on-line from well-known internet book vendors.
- The event planning committee for the high school's alcohol-free event should nominate a group comprised of 3-to-5 students and a teacher and/or a parent. That group will be asked to read and participate in a review of the book.
- The book group should discuss the book among themselves, and one or more of the students should write a 3-4 page book review. The review should explain: a) what transpired in the book, b) who and what had a role in causing the events that led to Ethan's death, c) what the various contributors to the situation could have or should have done differently, d) how the book group felt about the book, and e) what advice they would give others stemming from what they learned in the book. The report should be of a quality suitable for publishing in the school newspaper or for reading to an assembly of students and teachers.
- Extra credit will be given for projects that strive to engage the student body in ways that will maximize the message of safe driving. This may include a school assembly that addresses safe driving in preparation for the "sober prom" events, with participation by people in the school's local community who have been impacted by careless driving or drunk driving crashes. One winning candidate was an arts school that dramatized Ethan's story; others have worked with *Mothers Against Drunk Driving* and *Every 15 Minutes* organizations. These are examples of possible ways to involve the broader student body and community in appreciating what's at stake when any person, whether driver or passenger, gets into an automobile.
- Send a) the completed application form, b) a copy of the written report, and c) for those applying for the maximum grant—a DVD of the student assembly that features local community members speaking about the effects of careless or drunken driving in their lives, as well as a summary of or reading of the report that discusses *The Ethan Chronicles: Requiem for a Life Stolen*.

Entries must be received no later than 60 days prior to the date of the event for which the grant is requested. Responses to the grant request will be issued within two weeks of the receipt of the written report and DVD (if applicable).

All serious applications will be considered. The denomination of the grant will be based upon the quality of the entry, to be determined by the Board of Directors of The Ethan Foundation. Major considerations addressed by the Board when deciding to award the grant will include the depth of understanding demonstrated by the report, and the extent to which the students used the project as an effective tool to teach assembled schoolmates about the various dangers and foibles presented in *The Ethan Chronicles*. Grants available annually will be based upon investment conditions that affect Foundation funds and will be given at the sole discretion of the Foundation Board of Directors. Winners will be notified by e-mail.

Name of School \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Principal Name \_\_\_\_\_ Tel: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Student Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Tel: \_\_\_\_\_

Position in planning this event \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher/Parent Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Tel: \_\_\_\_\_

Position in planning this event \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Event for which applying for grant: \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ # of expected attendees \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of grant applied for: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Some of the major activities planned:

Approximate total budget: \_\_\_\_\_ Sources of funds \_\_\_\_\_

Was an event similar to this planned for previous years? If so, how successful was it? What were the criteria used to determine success?

Comments: