



# Dean Oberle Memorial Umpire Scholarship

\$1000 for Successful Applicant

Presented by the Dean Oberle Legacy Fund / Facilitated by the OBA (Baseball Ontario)

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## Scholarship Vision

The **Dean Oberle Memorial Umpire Scholarship** was established to honour and celebrate **Dean Oberle's love of sport** and his **tremendous contributions to officiating**. Dean embodied what it means to serve the baseball community with passion, humility, and integrity.

This scholarship recognizes an umpire who exemplifies:

- A genuine **love for the sport of baseball**
  - A **commitment to continuous learning**, both independently and with others
  - A passion for **mentorship and helping others grow**
  - A strong sense of **teamwork, collaboration, and community** among fellow officials
  - A consistently **positive attitude and uplifting presence**
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## Eligibility Requirements






To apply, candidates must:

1. Be a **currently registered and active Baseball Ontario umpire**
2. Have at least **2 years of umpiring experience** within Baseball Ontario
3. Be **enrolled or accepted into a post-secondary institution** (college, university, or trade school)
4. Demonstrate qualities aligned with Dean Oberle's values: love of sport, mentorship, teamwork, and positivity
5. Submit all required materials **by the application deadline**

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## Required Documents

Please include the following with your application:

-  Completed application form (see below)
-  Proof of enrollment/acceptance to a post-secondary institution
-  Short essay (see prompt below)
-  Video of applicant sharing highlights from essay (maximum one minute)
-  **Optional:** Letter of recommendation (from a supervisor, umpire mentor, teacher, or coach)

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## Essay Prompt (500–750 words)

**"Dean Oberle was known for his love of baseball, his desire to grow and help others grow, his spirit of community, and his optimism. Reflect on your own umpiring journey and describe how you embody these qualities both on and off the field."**

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## Submission Instructions

- **Deadline:** June 7, 2026
- **Submit applications via email to:** [deanoberlelegacyfund@gmail.com](mailto:deanoberlelegacyfund@gmail.com)

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## Applicant Information

Please complete all fields below.

<b>Field</b>	<b>Response</b>
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Full Name

Date of Birth

Address

Email

Phone Number

Number of Years Umpiring

Baseball Ontario Umpire Level

Post-Secondary Institution

Program of Study

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## Applicant Checklist

Please ensure the following are included with your submission:

- Completed application form
  - Essay response (500–750 words)
  - Video (one minute maximum)
  - Proof of enrollment/acceptance
  - Optional: Letter of recommendation
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The applicant grants permission to the Dean Oberle Legacy Fund and/or the Ontario Baseball Association (OBA) to use their name, photograph, and any provided biographical information for promotional purposes, including but not limited to marketing materials, social media platforms, and websites.

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent**

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

(if under 18 years of age)



## **Thank You**

Thank you for applying to the **Dean Oberle Memorial Umpire Scholarship**. By applying, you help carry forward Dean's legacy of dedication, growth, positivity, and community in the world of baseball officiating