

Nevada Athletic Directors Association, Section VII and National Athletic Administrators Association Essay Scholarship

Each year the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association conducts a scholarship contest to recognize and award one deserving boy and one deserving girl with a scholarship. **This year the Nevada Athletic Directors Association has decided to support this process by awarding the Nevada state winners with a \$500 scholarship.** This is in addition to the \$1000 scholarship awarded to the Section VII (Arizona, California, Hawaii, Utah and Nevada) winner and the \$2000 given to the National winner.

We are hopeful that we will receive an entry from each high school in our state association. Last year the state winners were Ciara O'Driscoll from Damonte Ranch and Joshua Briggs from Spanish Springs. The information and guidelines for the scholarship are listed below. The application can be accessed online at http://niaaa.org/PDF/Scholarship_Application.pdf.

Please note: **The deadline for Nevada entries will be February 3, 2012.** This is so the winning essay can be presented at the NADA Conference in Reno on Friday, February 24th. Completed entries should be sent to:

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This is a great opportunity for the students of Nevada. Please support them and NADA by getting this information to students on your school who are deserving.

National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association Student Athlete Scholarship Program

Purpose of Scholarship: In accordance with National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association's (NIAAA) purpose to promote, facilitate and increase the knowledge and understanding of the vital role of interscholastic athletics in the educational system, this scholarship program will foster and recognize the partnership between the NIAAA and secondary education. The scholarships will recognize the distinguished scholastic, leadership and sportsmanship attributes of high school student-athletes, and the importance of high school athletics in each student's life.

Essay Topic: "How High School Athletics has Impacted my Life"

Minimum Requirements:

- Applicant must have achieved at least two (2) of the following: (a) minimum of B+ average; (b) ranked in the top 25% of class; (c) ACT score of 24 or an SAT score of 1100
- Applicant must have participated in two sports for two years in each sport
- Applicant must have earned at least one varsity letter in each of two sports
- Applicant must complete attached scholar application
- Applicant must have a letter of recommendation from the high school athletic administrator/director
- School athletic administrator/director must be an NIAAA member and a member of their respective state athletic administrators association
- The principal or athletic administrator/director must sign the application to ensure that the academic information submitted is accurate
- All materials must be postmarked to the NIAAA Liaison in your respective state (see attached) no later than February 29, 2012

Scholarship Awards State Winners - one male and one female will each receive a plaque recognizing them as state winners

NIAAA Section Winners - one male and one female will each receive a \$1,000 scholarship and a certificate recognizing them as section winners

National Winners - one male and one female will each receive a \$2,000 scholarship and a medallion recognizing them as national winners in addition to attending the National Conference for Athletic Administrators in December to present their essay.