



HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS JA SCHOLARSHIPS APPLICATION

General Information

Students who participate in a Junior Achievement® class are eligible for both national and state scholarships through JA Worldwide™ and Junior Achievement of Arizona (JAAZ, Inc.) respectively. Scholarships offered through JA Worldwide vary from tuition to vocational colleges to a 4-year full ride scholarship to the college of the student's choice. Deadlines vary based on individual scholarships and more information is available at the JA Student Center online at www.ja.org.

In Arizona, high school **seniors** who were enrolled in at least one Junior Achievement program during high school may apply for one of our local JA of Arizona scholarships by completing the attached application.

How to Submit a Winning Application

o **FOLLOW DIRECTIONS!**

- o Students must complete the Scholarship Application in full and remit all necessary documents to be eligible (teachers/JA volunteers recommendation forms, transcripts, essays, etc).
- o Take the time needed to submit a neat, thoughtful application *early*. It will make you stand out from other applicants. Answer all questions and type your application.
- o Ask a school counselor, teacher or parent to review and provide feedback on how you can strengthen your application.
- o If you need a recommendation from a JA staff member for a national scholarship, please have your teacher send a statement of support to his/her JA contact. Request this at least 3 weeks before the deadline as you may be called in for a personal interview.
- o Provide any additional information that supports you as a worthy candidate for a scholarship.

Criteria

- Selection will be based on academic achievement, extracurricular activities, community service, and teacher/volunteer recommendations along with any specific criteria listed. Financial need will also be considered. Essays submitted will be judged on thought/content, creativity, clarity of expression, word usage, and spelling.
- All local (Arizona) scholarships must be postmarked or dropped off in person by 5:00 PM on April 16, 2012. The dates on JA Worldwide scholarships will vary; please note the due date and plan to mail your application at least one week in advance.

Awards

Upon receiving a local scholarship, winners will be notified in May 2012. In order to qualify, selected scholarship winners must attend JA's annual meeting held in September to accept their scholarship certificate. All funds will be sent to the scholarship office of the school indicated by the student by October 2012. JA Worldwide notifies winners directly on an ongoing basis.

Submission Deadline

Local scholarships must be received by **April 16, 2012**. Students and teachers may submit essays prior to the deadline. Teachers, if you have a scheduling conflict, please contact a member of the Junior Achievement Education Team at (480) 377-8500.



JA of ARIZONA, INC. SCHOLARSHIP FORM

(Please type this application)

General Information

Name _____ High School _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Email _____ GPA _____

JA Teacher _____ Semester & Year of Graduation _____

JA Volunteer _____ Company _____

Junior Achievement Involvement

Which Junior Achievement program did you participate in?

JA Program: _____

How has your participation with Junior Achievement programs helped or influenced you?

How has your JA volunteer influenced you?

Extra-curricular Involvement

What extra-curricular school activities do you participate in? _____

Please describe your involvement: _____

Please list any organizations you've volunteered with and outline the services you provided.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Are you currently employed? Yes No

If yes, where: _____ Hours per week: _____

Position Held: _____ Employment Dates: _____

College Information

College choice: _____ Have you been accepted? _____

College registrar's address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

What will be your major field of study/vocation? _____

Why? _____

Other Information

Please describe how you and your family would benefit from receiving a scholarship.

Please list any scholarships you anticipate receiving from other sources:

Name: _____ Amount: _____

Name: _____ Amount: _____

List any additional comments you would like considered in the selection process:

Parent or Guardian Information

Parent/Guardian's Full Name _____ Work Phone _____

Place of employment _____ Title _____

(2nd) Parent/Guardian's Full Name _____ Work Phone _____

Place of employment _____ Title _____

I understand this scholarship is good for one (1) year only, the year following my high school graduation. If selected and for any reason must delay my enrollment, I will immediately notify Junior Achievement explaining the circumstances and indicating when I will enroll again.

I CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE STATEMENTS ARE TRUE.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Guardian's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please send to:
Junior Achievement of AZ, Inc.
636 W. Southern Ave Tempe, AZ 85282
Phone (480) 377-8500 Fax (480) 377-8558



Scholarship Application- Form B

TEACHER RECOMMENDATION

Name of Applicant: _____

Teacher: _____ School: _____

Email: _____ Contact Number: _____

Teacher recommendation of the above named student is required for scholarship consideration. Please write a short comment by each category.

This form must accompany the student's application. The deadline is April 16, 2012.

1. Initiative and effort: _____

2. Attitude and ability to work with others: _____

3. Maturity and dependability: _____

4. Financial need: _____

5. Scholastic ability: _____

Additional comments:

Please rank applicant in the order you feel he/she should be considered for a scholarship.

Circle one: Lowest 1 2 3 4 5 Highest

Signed: _____

Teacher

Date

ESSAY SELECTION

All applicants must submit a two-page, double-spaced essay. Applicants are free to select from any of the essay topics noted below.

Essays will be judged on their content, clarity, thoughtfulness and form.

Essay Topic Option I

Are you committed to community service? If so, what project(s) are you committed to, and what impact have you made to the community via these projects? Include in your essay:

- Length of service (hours per week/month)
- Benefits to community
- Personal motivation
- Description of specific activities and outcomes

Essay Topic Option II

Do you have a strong entrepreneurial spirit? If so, what kind of business do you have plans to develop one day? Include in your essay:

- Type of product or service your business would offer
- Marketing plans
- What makes your product the best choice for consumers

Essay Topic Option III

Why is a college education important to you? What do you plan to study, and what future career do you plan to pursue? Include in your essay:

- Discipline of study you plan to pursue
- How this degree will enhance your career aspirations
- Why you have a passion to obtain a college degree



Scholarship Application- Form D

VOLUNTEER RECOMMENDATION

Name of Applicant: _____ High School: _____

JA Volunteer: _____

Company/Organization: _____

Email: _____ Contact Number: _____

Volunteer recommendation of the above named student is not required, but is suggested, for scholarship consideration. Please write a short comment by each category.

This form may accompany the student's application. The deadline is April 16, 2012.

1. Participation in JA: _____

2. Initiative and effort: _____

3. Attitude and ability to work with others: _____

Additional Comments: _____

Signed: _____

Volunteer

Date