

### **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 your choice. Deadlines vary based on individual scholarships and more information is available at the JA Student Center online at [www.ja.org](http://www.ja.org).

In Arizona, seniors enrolled in a Junior Achievement program during the current 2007-2008 school year can apply for local scholarships. Students are competing with a smaller pool of eligible applicants and more information is available at [www.jaaz.org](http://www.jaaz.org).

### **How to Submit a Winning Application**

- o FOLLOW DIRECTIONS! Students must complete the Scholarship Application in full, and remit any necessary documents (recommendation forms from teachers/JA volunteers, 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 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 of in person by 5:00 PM on February 29, 2008. The dates on JA Worldwide scholarships will vary; please note the due date and plan to mail your application at least a week in advance.

### **Awards**

Upon receiving a local scholarship, winners will be notified in April 2008. All funds will be sent to the scholarship office of the school indicated by the student. JA Worldwide notifies winners directly on an ongoing basis.

### **Submission Deadline**

Local scholarships must be received by **February 29, 2008**. Students and teachers may submit essays prior to the deadline. Teachers, if you have a scheduling problem, please contact a member of the Junior Achievement Education Team at (480) 377-8500.

(Please type this application)

**General Information**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

High School \_\_\_\_\_ GPA \_\_\_\_\_

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?

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How has your JA volunteer influenced you?

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**Extra-curricular Involvement**

What extra-curricular school activities do you participate in? \_\_\_\_\_

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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.

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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:

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**Parent or Guardian Information**

Parent/Guardian's Full Name

Work Phone

Place of employment

Title

(2<sup>nd</sup>) 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

**TEACHER RECOMMENDATION**

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

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 February 29, 2008.

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

Phone

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

**VOLUNTEER RECOMMENDATION**

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ High School: \_\_\_\_\_

JA Volunteer: \_\_\_\_\_

Company/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

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 February 29, 2008.

1. Participation in JA: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. Initiative and effort: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. Attitude and ability to work with others: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Additional Comments:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteer

Phone

Date