

M.J.A.
**The Massachusetts
Judges Association**
Serving and supporting the Pageantry Arts throughout New England

The Massachusetts Judges Association will award 3 scholarships of \$500.00 each to performing members of member groups in the Eastern Mass and NESBA circuits at the Eastern Mass and NESBA Colorguard Finals this March.

All groups who participate in either Eastern Mass or NESBA are invited to submit **applicants from their unit** who are high school seniors or already enrolled in college. A committee of educators and judges will review these applications and select students who stand out in qualities of academic, artistic and personal achievements.

Applications for 2010 Scholarships must be submitted by mail to: MJA Scholarship Application, c/o Jim Vitagliano, 1070 Shirley Street, Winthrop, MA 02152, **NO LATER THAN March 19, 2010.**

All required paperwork must accompany the Scholarship Application Form.

The MJA Executive Board has established the following guidelines regarding the scholarship(s).

1. The recipient must be in his/her senior year of high school or already attending a college/university.
2. The recipient must be pursuing any type of post-secondary education.
3. The recipient must be an active marching member of an Eastern Mass or NESBA unit who competed in the 2009-2010 season.
4. Scholarship(s) granted will be paid by check written to the student. Scholarship money may be used by the student for tuition, books, and room/board. Recipients will be required to submit an enrollment verification to MJA for their first term of enrollment. Scholarships will need to be returned if active enrollment is not achieved.
5. Scholarships granted will be a minimum \$500.00 per recipient.
6. The scholarship will be granted for one year only, but recipients may re-apply the next year if he/she remains active with a unit and meets all the other requirements.
7. Selections will be made by a committee consisting of at least five individuals representing various pageantry activities, whose decisions will be final.
8. Awards will be presented at the respective finals of the recipients.

All Scholarship applications will remain confidential.



2010 MJA Scholarship Application Form

Personal Data

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____

Email: _____

Father's Name: _____ Occupation: _____

Address (if different from above) _____

City, State, Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Mother's Name: _____ Occupation: _____

Address (if different from above) _____

City, State, Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Are you employed? _____ If yes, where and length of time with that employer:

Education

High School Name, City and State: _____

Year in school: _____

College Name, City and State: _____

Course of Study: _____

Unit Information

Unit you are performing with in 2010: _____

How long have you been a member of that unit: _____

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Answer the following in narrative form: (ATTACH SEPARATE SHEET)

- 1) Academic Progress: this includes grade point average, course load, extenuating circumstances and challenges overcome in your academic endeavors:
- 2) Extracurricular activities: including all scholastic, recreational and civic activities including pageantry. Identify accomplishments and responsibilities for these activities:
- 3) Future plans: your plans and goals for post-high school education. Where do you see yourself in five years?
- 4) Why do you want or need this scholarship?

I certify that the above and enclosed information is complete and true.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Unit Director Signature: _____ Date: _____

Unit: _____

Please enclose the following:

- ***High School Transcripts (including explanation of system, i.e. 4 point etc.)***
- ***College transcripts (if applicable)***
- ***Two (2) letters of recommendation from individuals other than your Unit Director.***
- ***(SAT/ACT scores are optional if available.)***

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