

AHSAAA Members,

In accordance with the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (NIAAA) scholarship guidelines, we extend the opportunity to recognize student athletes from your school through the NIAAA and AHSAAA Student Athlete Scholarship Program. Below is the link to the NIAAA website where you can see the requirement for selection of these applicants. 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. You have the opportunity to select a male and female nominee from your school and direct them through this important process. The deadline for submission is **Wednesday, March 1, of the current year**. Entries should be faxed or postmarked by that date. Please direct all applications and questions to the scholarship chairperson (information provided below) as we move through the state nomination and selection process. Only administrators who are members of **both** the NIAAA and AHSAAA qualify to nominate student athletes.

Those who meet all the minimum standards will be acknowledged by the AHSAAA as a Commended Scholar. The top female and male entry selected will be invited to present their essay at the AHSAAA Summer Meeting in June in Conway. Each will receive a plaque, a \$500 scholarship furnished by 5 Star Sports and their application will be passed to the NIAAA's Section 6 committee. Section 6 is comprised of Arkansas, Colorado, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas. Winners at the section level will move to the national level for additional scholarships and the honor of presenting their essay at the National Conference for Athletic Directors scheduled in December.

Please take the opportunity to visit the website below and check out this scholarship opportunity for the outstanding student athletes of your school.

NIAAA scholarship website: <http://www.niaaa.org/niaaa-awards/niaaa-student-athlete-scholarship/>

Applications should be processed through:

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