

Better Business Bureau[®] Serving Delaware Education Foundation

Student Ethics Scholarship 2017-2018 Guide & Entry Form



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THE PRIZE

The Better Business Bureau Education Foundation of Delaware is proud to announce the Student Ethics Scholarship program. This program recognizes college-bound Seniors who personify high ethics as demonstrated through leadership, community service, overall personal integrity and academic history. Two \$2,500 scholarships will be awarded on behalf of the scholarship recipients to an accredited college or university.

GUIDELINES

Applications and essays will be accepted only from high school students who will be seniors in the 2017-2018 school year. The applicant must have a desire to continue his/her education at an accredited college or university. The recipients of the Scholarships will be honored at the 2018 awards ceremony (May, 2018) and the funds will be distributed directly to the school of higher education upon verification of student's enrollment.

SELECTION PROCESS

Entries for BBB Student Ethics Award will be reviewed by the Selection Committee. Judges will select the scholarship recipients based on their leadership, contributions to their communities and schools, personal integrity, academic accomplishments, and written essay. Applicants may be required to participate in an interview. Decisions of the judges are final.

DEADLINE

Applications are due to the BBB Office by January 10, 2018 (3pm, EST) and notification to winners will be announced by February 28, 2018.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARD CRITERIA AND DOCUMENTATION

LEADERSHIP

Describe any extracurricular, work, or school related activities. Include awards/honors or offices held.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Describe activities outside of school and within your community, such as charities, church or special community activities. Include awards/honors or offices held.

ACADEMIC

Enclose a copy of your most recent transcript. A minimum 3.0 GPA is required. Describe your post-secondary education plans. Describe awards received relating to your academic achievement.

ESSAY "WHAT SHOULD BBB OF DELAWARE BE DOING TO COMPETE IN TODAY'S ONLINE WORLD TO ADVANCE OUR MISSION?"

BBB Mission can be found: https://www.bbb.org/delaware/get-to-know-us/vision-mission-and-values/ Essay should be approximately 500 words, single spaced on $8.5'' \times 11''$ page. Your name must **NOT** appear on the essay.

OPTIONAL PERSONAL STATEMENT

Students may elect to submit a short personal statement (200 words or less)

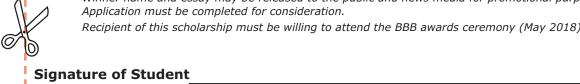
ELIGIBILITY AND REQUIREMENTS

- •All Applicants must be nominated/recommended by an employee, principal, or owner of a BBB Accredited Business*

 *Nominator does not have to be company president or owner. An updated BBB Accredited Business list is available at www.bbb.org/delaware
- •This scholarship is open to students residing in the State of Delaware.
- •This is NOT a needs based scholarship
- •Entries should include the completed entry form and two letters of recommendation: e.g. teacher, church, school official, employer, community leader. Each letter of recommendation should be 300 words or less on one 8.5" x 11" page, single spaced.
- •Your name must NOT be on any pages of the essay. This ensures that judges will see no identifying information about entrants. (Essays will be judged by an independent panel selected by the BBB from business and community leaders. Judging will be done using a "blind" format, meaning that your personally identifiable information and the names of those involved in the situation will be removed to ensure and respect your privacy and to maintain judging objectivity. Judges will score the essays based on the content of your essay.)
- •Supporting documentation should be typed and submitted on 8.5" x 11" paper.
- •A copy of your most recent high school transcript is required.
- Family of BBB staff and Board Members are not eligible to apply.
- •Please retain a copy of your completed entry.
- •All submitted entries become the property of Better Business Bureau (BBB) and cannot be returned.
- •In compliance with BBB privacy policy, the Delaware Better Business Bureau will use any personal information you provide only for the purpose for which it was submitted.

APPLICATION: 2017-2018 Student Ethics Scholarship (also available online at www.bbb.org/delaware) Please print or type the following: **Student Name** Address _____ City_____ State ____ Zip____ Phone Email Date of Birth _____ High School Name of School Counselor or Principal School Phone Graduation Year □Unweighted or □Weighted ______ **Current GPA** Post Secondary Education Plans to Attend a: _____ 2 year school or _____ 4 year school Recommended by the following BBB Accredited Business (does not need to be owner/president of company): Name of Accredited Business Name Phone **Email** Have the Accredited Business send an email to csauers@delaware.bbb.org or call 302-221-5259x119 confirming that they have nominated you for this scholarship. Please make sure all of the following have been completed: Completed Application Recommendation email or call to the BBB by an Accredited Business (csauers@delaware.bbb.org or 302-221-5259x119) 2 Letters of Recommendation Supporting Documentation (Community Service, Leadership & Academic) Copy of your current high school transcript (may be sent directly from the school) Essay Optional Personal Statement Mail the completed application and all documentation. Applications must be received at BBB by January 10, 2018 (3pm). Please single space all documentation. Mail: BBB of Delaware Education Foundation attn: Scholarship Committee 60 Reads Way New Castle, DE 19720 By submitting this form, I hereby certify that the statements contained in this application are true, accurate and complete. I understand and agree that any scholarship funds I receive from BBB of Delaware Education Foundation must be used for educational purposes only and that I will provide proof of such use if requested. All essays become the property of the BBB. All judging decisions are final. Applicant may be required to participate in an interview. BBB retains the right to make program changes at any time. Winner name and essay may be released to the public and news media for promotional purposes. Application must be completed for consideration. Recipient of this scholarship must be willing to attend the BBB awards ceremony (May 2018).

Date



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Mission Statement

To inform, educate and advocate on behalf of consumers and businesses in Delaware by providing information, counseling and education in an effort to combat unethical business practices and provide protection from fraudulent activities through programs, seminars and dispute resolution.

Past Recipients of the BBB Student Ethics Scholarship

2017

Emily Jones, *Dickinson High School* Johnny Means, *Delaware Military Academy*

2016

Thomas Giorgi, *Mt. Pleasant High School* Nathaniel Vincent, *Delmar High School*

2015

Devin Miller, Caesar Rodney High School David Woodside, Appoquinimink High School

2014

Mariano Di Gabrielle, *Concord High School* Zachary Jones, *Appoquinimink High School*

2013

Zachary Boulden, St. Marks High School Rebecca Lusk, Cape Henlopen High School

2012

Marco Di Gabrielle, *Concord High School* Alana Whitmarsh, *Padua Academy*

2011

Madeline Brooks, Wilmington Christian Academy Riley Foster, Appoquinimink High School

