



NALS of Greater Kalamazoo

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Area High School and College Guidance Counselors, Financial Aid Advisors, Teachers and Interested Parties

FROM: Pamela S. Wilcox, Chairperson, Scholarship Committee
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RE: 2012 Scholarship

DATE: February 13, 2012

NALS of Greater Kalamazoo would like to invite your students to apply for its 2012 scholarship awards. This year we will be awarding two scholarships, each for \$1,000, to two students pursuing higher education in the legal field. Examples of fields of study would include: criminal justice, paralegal studies, political science, pre-law, law enforcement, forensic science, and post-graduate legal studies.

One of our scholarship forms, which includes rules for application, is enclosed. Please photocopy and distribute the forms to any students who wish to apply. Also, please feel free to forward a copy to any other persons with your school who may have contact with students interested in applying for this scholarship. We would also request, if appropriate, that you post notice of our scholarship on your school's website.

If you have any questions regarding the scholarship or the application process, please feel free to call me. I may be reached weekdays at (269)383-5842. We look forward to receiving applications from your students.

Enclosures a/s

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SCHOLARSHIP AWARD RULES

February 13, 2012

In the 2012 fiscal year, NALS of Greater Kalamazoo shall present two scholarships, each for \$1,000. The scholarships will be awarded on the basis of scholastic or legal career achievement, future career goals, demonstration of financial need, and leadership ability. The scholarship award may be granted to any qualified applicant enrolled in a Michigan school of advanced education in the legal field.

The candidate must

- A. Be a high school senior or enrolled in a school of advanced education (including current school year) or a NALS of Greater Kalamazoo member.
- B. Be in need of financial assistance.
- C. Be able to enroll for the fall term, 2012.

Non-winning candidates from prior years who meet current qualifications are eligible for renomination. Prior winning candidates who meet current qualifications are eligible for renomination two years (2) after winning the award.

The application and all required attachments must be submitted and postmarked no later than **April 21, 2012**. Any application postmarked after that date will be disqualified.

In the event a selected recipient does not accept the scholarship award, the scholarship will be awarded to the next highest candidate in order. The scholarship recipient must notify NALS of Greater Kalamazoo of his/her final decision regarding enrollment no later than June 30, 2012. Should a selected recipient not enroll in the ensuing term of school, thereby forfeiting the award, it shall be presented to the first runner-up.

Periodic reports on the progress of the scholarship recipients shall be given to NALS of Greater Kalamazoo when possible. It is recommended that the Association maintain personal contact with the winner of the award and that they make a progress report from time to time.

The scholarship monetary awards shall be paid directly to the school of the selected recipient's choice for enrollment in the ensuing term of school.

Any scholarship award must be used in full within one year from the date of the written notification to the selected recipients of his or her selection. Any unused scholarship award, or portion thereof, shall be refunded by the school to NALS of Greater Kalamazoo by June 1, 2013.

APPLICATION FOR NALS OF GREATER KALAMAZOO SCHOLARSHIP

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE:(_____)_____

SCHOOL: _____

SCHOOL ADDRESS:_____

PRINCIPAL'S NAME: _____

EXPECTED DATE OF GRADUATION: _____

GRADE POINT AVERAGE:_____ RANK OF APPLICANT IN CLASS_____

PARENTS'/SPOUSE'S OCCUPATION:_____

DESCRIPTION OF IMMEDIATE FAMILY:_____

DATE: _____

SIGNED: _____
(Signature of Applicant)

Return completed application form to the following person via email or first-class mail, to be postmarked or received no later than April 21, 2012.

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICATION FOR NALS OF GREATER KALAMAZOO SCHOLARSHIP

This application must be fully completed with the exact required instruments attached to the application submitted to NALS of Greater Kalamazoo.

1. Attach an official transcript of grades.
2. Attach a one-page letter of recommendation addressed to NALS of Greater Kalamazoo from the student's current major teacher or counselor stating:
 - A. Applicant's activity and leadership record.
 - B. A description of applicant's personal traits, character, personality, drive and home background.
 - C. Reasons this applicant should be awarded this scholarship.
3. One additional letter of recommendation from someone other than a member of the applicant's family, such as an employer, teacher, pastor, or friend may be submitted if applicant so desires but is not required.
4. Attach a typed autobiographical statement no longer than three pages including information about schools attended, employment experience, school activities (honors, clubs, choir, band, sports, etc.), outside activities (church, civic, community service), accomplishments (awards, languages, etc.), family background, hobbies, and describing briefly applicant's career goals and desires. Also include information in this statement indicating how you intend to pay for your college education.