



South Carolina Alarm Association George Ball Scholarship

Rules and Eligibility Requirements

The following criteria will be used as minimum eligibility requirements and judging criteria for the applicants of the SCAA George Ball Scholarship.

The scholarship award is in the amount of \$1,000 available to qualified students. The winner will be presented a check made out in their name and a framed certificate at the SCAA Annual Convention and Trade Show to be held in September 2012 in Mt. Pleasant, SC.

The student must be at least 15 years of age and not older than 20. He or she must be enrolled in an accredited high school as a senior matriculating the following year; or must be enrolled as a full time freshman or sophomore student at an accredited college or university located within the state of South Carolina.

Each eligible student must have a father, mother or natural guardian who is a full-time, active employee of a company that is a member in good standing with the South Carolina Alarm Association.

Each student must submit a fully completed and signed application postmarked on or before **August 1, 2012**. Failure to follow instructions can result in disqualification.

All materials (including essays) become property of the SCAA. By submitting an application and essay, the student grants permission to publish any and all essays. Applicants also agree that if they win, they will cooperate in publicity efforts, including (but not limited to) participating in interviews with state communications, local, trade press, and submitting photos for inclusion in state chapter publications, press materials and on line. Applicants will make every effort to meet with the SCAA for an award presentation ceremony.

Students must submit the following:

1. completed and signed application
2. essay (typed)
3. proof of enrollment in high school (transcript or letter acceptable)
4. proof of acceptance/enrollment in a college or university (letter acceptable)
5. proof of parent's occupation (ID or supervisory letter acceptable)
6. copies of SAT and/or ACT test score results submitted by the high school
7. Letter of recommendations from the high school counselor or other outside agency which verifies participation in extracurricular activities

Awards are based on a combination of academic achievement, national test scores, extracurricular participation and the essay. All decisions are final. The score is based on the following:

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| 1. Grade point average | 35 points |
| 2. SAT scores or ACT | 30 points |
| 3. Essay | 20 points |
| 4. Extracurricular | 15 points |



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STUDENT APPLICATION

Please type or clearly print all information. Form must be filled out completely and signed.

Student Information

Name of Applicant : _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

High School Information

High School: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Year of HS Graduation: _____ GPA: _____ Class Ranking: _____

College/University Information

College: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Year of Graduation: _____ GPA: _____ Class Ranking: _____

Test Scores

SAT Score Verbal: _____ Math: _____ Essay: _____ Total: _____

ACT Score Verbal: _____ Math: _____ Essay: _____ Total: _____

Parent/Guardian Information

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Employer: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Student application continued

Additional Information

Community & Student Involvement

Involvement in school and community activities is important and will be thoroughly reviewed by the selection committee. Leadership positions, organizational memberships and school or community activities are important building blocks for future outstanding citizens. An applicant will provide to the Scholarship committee a brief paragraph detailing his/her educational and civic background, future goals, and any other pertinent information.

Writing Sample/Essay

On a separate sheet(s) of paper, type a 500-750 word essay which explains "What it means to me to have my parent or guardian involved in contributing to the safety, security and peace of mind of the community in present society." The essay must be an original work by the applicant, and all sources cited in a "work cited" section at the end of the essay. The essay once submitted, becomes the property of the SCAA and may be printed in industry publications with the writer's credit. The Essay will be judged for subject relevance, factual accuracy, creativity, interest and completeness of thought and proof.

Applicants who submit this form and meet the appropriate requirements agree to the following:

All prize winners will be notified in writing.

All applications and writing samples become property of the SCAA.

I verify to the best of my knowledge that all of the information contained in this application is accurate and correct. My parent or guardian has signed this application also, verifying the accuracy if the information contained herein.

I agree to terms and conditioned of the SCAA George Ball Scholarship. I authorize the SCAA to verify all aspects of this application with my high school or the employer of my parent/guardian. I agree to abide by all terms and conditions of the SCAA George Ball Scholarship rules.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please return this completed application and supporting documents to:

George Ball Scholarship Program

SC Alarm Association

PO Box 1763

Columbia, SC 29202

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