The NAIGC Scholarship Award Information

What is the purpose of the NAIGC Scholarship?

The purpose of the NAIGC Scholarship is to provide incentives for high school athletes to join and participate in the NAIGC. We believe that experienced athletes who are choosing to participate in our division deserve financial assistance for their years of dedication and their decision to continue the sport at the club level in college.

Who is eligible to apply?

Any American citizen who is a current USAG, AAU, YMCA, USAIGC or NHSGA member who will be attending a four year postsecondary institution and plans to join their club gymnastics team in the Fall of 2018 is eligible to apply for this scholarship. Exceptions might be made if a school does not have a program but the individual is willing to start the program. The individual must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher.

How do I apply?

- Submit this document along with the necessary documents to <u>scholarships@naigc.org</u> before **July 1st.** Two letters of recommendation are required, one from your coach and one from either a teacher or a leader in the gymnastics community.
- Submit a high school transcript (unofficial is ok)
- Submit some proof that you have applied for/have been accepted to a school with a club team

What is the amount of the scholarship?

We will be awarding two males and two females with \$1,500 scholarships! The award may be spent on any educational expenses.

Can Scholarships be awarded for multiple years?

Scholarships are normally awarded for one calendar year and athletes may submit a new application each year. However, a multiple year scholarship can be awarded for highly qualified applicants. In the case of a multi-year scholarship, award recipients may have additional qualifying and reporting requirements beyond those noted below.

Who will make the Scholarship decision?

The NAIGC has developed a scholarship committee that will be responsible for judging each applicant and choosing a successful candidate.

What are the requirements for Scholarship recipients?

Scholarship recipients must:

- 1. Use the scholarship for college or post-secondary education expenses, excluding postgraduate work.
- 2. Be a USA Gymnastics AAU, NHSGA, ect athlete member in good standing.
- 3. Maintain a minimum of a 3.0 GPA in order to qualify for or renew a scholarship.

- 4. Actively participate in an NAIGC club and NAIGC events during the year of the scholarship award.
- 5. Submit a one page report about their experience in the NAIGC at the end of the year about his experiences as a Scholarship recipient.
- 6. Accept the Foundation Scholarship via email within four weeks of notification of the award.

How will my scholarship application be evaluated?

Scholarship applications will be evaluated based on both competitive factors and financial need. Evaluation of competitive factors will include the following:

- Current level of involvement with gymnastics
- Plans to stay involved with their NAIGC team
- Does the athlete embody the NAIGC motto "For the love of the sport"
- Current and past level of competitive performance and accomplishments

NCAA Eligibility and Use Considerations:

Accepting an NAIGC scholarship may affect an athlete's eligibility to move on to an NCAA program. Athletes are encouraged to check directly with the NCAA regarding any questions on eligibility issues.

But what about my other questions?

Email scholarships@naigc.org

NAIGC Scholarship Application 2018

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name:

Mailing Address Street Address: City: State: Zip Code: Email Address: Phone number: High School and Gym High School Name: City: State: GPA: Current gym:

Current Level: Current Coach: Current Coach (2) *opt*:

Number of years competing in gymnastics:

Year graduating high school:

College attending:

Intended major of study:

PERSONAL STATEMENTS

Why do you love gymnastics? (200 word max)

Highlight your level of gymnastics success and involvement in the gymnastics community. (200 word max)

What are your academic / career goals? (200 word max)

Please outline any honors and extracurricular activities (can be non-gymnastics related)

How would this scholarship help you?

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Income Information for the next 12 months.

PLEASE NOTE: All of the following questions are optional. If you leave a question blank, it is in your best interest to explain why in the space provided (attach extra pages if necessary).

Student's Salary/Wages: 2018/2019 expected loans accepted: 2018/2019 expected scholarships accepted: Estimated combined parents income:

2018/2019 tuition and fees: Housing Board & Other Academic Expenses Other (explain): Total first year college expenses:

Please explain special circumstances, such as more than one student in college, excessive medical bills, or any other situations that would help the panel understand your financial need:

FAFSA Expected Family Contribution (EFC):

REFERENCES

List names and organizational affiliations of individuals submitting Letters of Recommendation. At least two Letters of Recommendation are required, one from a coach, and one from either another leader in the gymnastics community or someone who can speak on behalf of your academic background (i.e. High school teacher, counselor). Letters should be emailed by their respective authors to <u>scholarships@naigc.org</u> before the deadline.

No.	Last name	First Name	Organization	Email Address
1 (coach)				
2 (other)				
3 (opt.)				

I certify that all the information provided in this application is correct. I understand that all of the information enclosed may shared with any member of the NAIGC Board of Directors.

Signature:_____