



Learning Disabilities Association of Iowa

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SCHOLARSHIPS

The Learning Disabilities Association of Iowa (LDA-IA) will award three scholarships to high school seniors who plan to enroll in post-secondary education (college, vocational, or fifth-year program) in the fall of 2016.

Description

The scholarships are to assist students with learning disabilities (see eligibility requirements on application form) in pursuing a post-secondary education at an accredited institution which provides:

- a two- or four-year college program, or
- vocational training

Number and Amount

Three scholarships valued at \$1,000 each will be awarded:

- One **Membership-based** scholarship will be awarded to an applicant who meets at least one of the following requirements:
 - 1) Applicant is a current member of LDA
 - 2) Applicant's parent is a current member of LDA
 - 3) Applicant is recommended in writing by a current member of LDA

See <http://ldaamerica.org/membership/> for information about LDA membership. Annual dues include membership in the Learning Disabilities Association of America and LDA-IA.

- Two **At-Large** scholarships will be awarded. Preference will be given to applicants who meet any of the membership requirements listed above.

Payment Procedures

After receiving proof of full-time enrollment, a check for \$250 payable to the student will be sent. After receiving proof that the recipient has completed vocational training or the first full-time year of study, the remainder of the scholarship, \$750, will be paid to the student.

Application Deadline

Scholarship recipients will be selected from applications that have been postmarked no later than **March 31, 2016**.

Application Requirements

Applicant must fully complete and submit five items:

- 1) **Scholarship Application**,
- 2) **Essay**,
- 3) **Publicity Form**,
- 4) an **Entire Current IEP**, and
- 5) a **Letter of Recommendation from a person** (excluding family members) **who can provide personal and academic insight**. ****To qualify for the Membership-based scholarship through LDA member recommendation, an additional written statement (see pg. 3) must be submitted.**

APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE SENT ONLY TO:

Jan Paup, Scholarship Chairperson
443 K. Ave.
Churdan, IA 50050

For questions: Phone: (515) 389-3252
Email: cjpaup@wccta.net

Application for Learning Disabilities Association of Iowa Scholarships for Iowa High School Seniors

Eligibility Requirements: Seniors with learning disabilities, as indicated by submitted documentation*, who will graduate or enroll in a fifth-year program. *Students served solely under Section 504 or with primary disabilities other than LD (e.g., Autism) will not be eligible for this scholarship.*

Deadline: Applications should be postmarked no later than **March 31, 2016.**

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED ON THE LDA-IA WEBSITE (www.l daiowa.org) the first week of MAY.

APPLICATIONS <u>MUST</u> INCLUDE:	SEND TO:
<input type="checkbox"/> Application Form <input type="checkbox"/> Entire Current IEP *	Jan Paup, Scholarship Chairperson 443 K. Ave. Churdan, IA 50050
<input type="checkbox"/> Essay ** <input type="checkbox"/> Letter of Recommendation	
<input type="checkbox"/> LDA Member Recommendation (see pg. 3) <i>Only required if applying for Membership-based scholarship</i>	

I understand that all of the information on this application will be available to each member of the LDA-IA Scholarship Committee. I understand that if I am awarded this scholarship, my name will be sent to my local newspaper, be announced in the LDA-IA newsletter, website, and at the annual LDA-IA conference in October. The information is accurate and complete within my ability to provide the information requested.

Signature of applicant

Please complete the following:

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Email _____

Parents' or Guardians' Names _____

Parents' or Guardians' Complete Address _____

Career Goals _____

Educational Plans _____

High School Attended _____

College Courses / Challenging Classes Taken in High School _____

***YOU WILL NEED TO SHOW VERIFICATION THAT YOU HAVE A LEARNING DISABILITY.**

An ENTIRE current IEP, psychological report, or similar document with indication of a learning disability **is required** to accompany this application. Additional information may be included.

****ESSAY REQUIREMENTS** – This must be included with the application to be considered for the scholarship.

The essay should include **all four** of the items listed below:

<input type="checkbox"/> Extra-curricular and community achievements	<input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer and paid jobs
<input type="checkbox"/> Accommodations that have been beneficial to you and will help you succeed in your post-secondary education	
<input type="checkbox"/> Explanation of how you will finance your education and how the scholarship will assist your educational plans	



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PUBLICITY FORM

Dear Scholarship Applicant,

We are so pleased that you are applying for a LDA-IA Scholarship. Please fill out the information below so that in the event that you are a winner, we can publicize your honor in your local and/or regional newspapers. No publicity material will identify you as a student with learning disabilities, only that you have won a scholarship.

We also would like to use your picture, the name of your school, and your field of studies in our publicity. This information would also be included in the LDA-IA newsletter, at our LDA-IA Conference in October, and on our website: <http://www.ldaiowa.org>.

Please fill out the following information and enclose it with your scholarship application:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Parent(s) name(s): _____

High School _____

College/vocational school you plan to attend: _____

Name(s) and address(es) of your hometown and/or regional newspaper(s):

Name of Newspaper:

Complete Mailing Address:

Name of Newspaper:	Complete Mailing Address:

Thank you and best wishes on your application.

Sincerely,
Verlee Owens, Publicity Chairperson