

**Illinois State Deans' Association
Offers**

***The Improved Student Scholarship
For
A Graduating High School Senior***

The Illinois State Deans Association's Improved Student Scholarship has been established to provide a monetary award to a graduating senior in the state of Illinois who has demonstrated positive behavioral changes evidenced through:

- Improved attitude and commitment
- Improved G.P.A.
- Improved attendance
- Participation in school/community activities
- Successful employment
- Graduation from high school
- Show a commitment and aspirations for further education

The scholarship is offered to top high school seniors who meet the above criteria for the current school year, 2010-2011, with plans for further educational training at an accredited university, college, junior college or vocational training institute.

The student is required to submit an application and a one-page essay describing the adverse conditions overcome, detailing his/her improvements, and giving credit to the person(s) who have guided and assisted in this turn around.

An Illinois State Deans' Association member must nominate and recommend a graduating senior for the award.

Included in the *Nomination Packet* are:

- ✓ The announcement of the scholarship
- ✓ A publication sheet
- ✓ Application form to be completed by the student and signed by the student and his/her parent/legal guardian. A one-page essay written by the student must be included with the application form. An ISDA member and the student's Principal must sign and submit the application with the student's essay.
- ✓ Two recommendation forms, one to be completed by a faculty or staff member or a non-related adult who has worked closely with the student, and one to be completed by an ISDA member. The ISDA member will gather the completed application form, the student essay and both recommendations and **submit them by March 25, 2011** to Steve Greiner at the address on the application form.

**Illinois State Deans Association
Presents**

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The Illinois State Deans Association (ISDA) announces the establishment of an up to \$1,000.00 Improved Student Scholarship for the 2010-2011 academic year. An Illinois State Deans Association member must nominate and recommend a graduating high school senior who has shown improvement as reflected in areas of behavior, academics, attendance, and responsibility. Nominees must also have demonstrated improved responsibility by involvement in school and/or community activities and/or successful employment.

The application deadline for all materials is March 25, 2011. Applications will be available to ISDA members at the fall convention, the ISDA website, and will also be printed in the ISDA newsletter. These applications may be made available in Deans, SROs, Counselors, and Career Resource offices in members' schools.

The ISDA Awards Committee will select the scholarship winner to be announced in May. The scholarship money will be in the student's name, payable directly to the educational institution for use upon confirmation of the student's registration, toward tuition, fees, and textbooks or direct reimbursement to the student on presentation of receipts verifying expenditures for the preceding items.

**Application for
Illinois State Deans' Association
Improved Student Scholarship**

Name _____
Last First Middle

Home Address _____
Number and Street City

State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: () _____

High School Attending: _____

School Address _____
Number and Street City

State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: () _____

ISDA Member _____ Position _____ Phone: () _____

Counselor: _____ Homeroom Teacher: _____

Rank in class (end of first semester, 2010): _____ Number of students in class: _____

G.P.A. - Fresh. Year ____ Soph. Yr. ____ Jr. Yr. ____ Senior Yr. ____ Cum G.P.A. _____

Years at present High School _____ Absences thus far Senior Year: _____

Two recommendations are required including one from an ISDA member. The other may be from a faculty member of the nominating school. Please name the two adults who have agreed to write on your behalf. Suggestions for the second recommendation include a counselor, faculty member, or another non-related adult you have served. List the name and title of those writing your recommendation.

Name: _____ Position: _____

Name: _____ Position: _____

Name of College or Vocation School you plan to attend: _____

Have you been admitted at this time? Yes ____ No ____

Applicants must attach to this form an essay, not to exceed one page, which describes changes you've made over the last four years, factors, which have led to your improvement, and persons who have helped you with your "turn around". The student should also describe what their educational goals and aspirations are in the future.

This nomination form must be signed by your high school Principal and your Dean affirming your essay and your anticipated graduation in May/June or August of 2011.

Principal's Signature _____ Dean's Signature _____

ISDA Member Signature: _____

Send completed packet to:

Mr. Steve Greiner
Dean of Students
Crystal Lake Central High School
45 W. Franklin Ave.
Crystal Lake, IL 60014
815-459-2505
Fax: 815-459-2536
E-mail: sgreiner@d155.org

Application Deadline is March 25, 2011

Student responsibility:

- Give the attached Recommendation Form to the faculty member you have selected to recommend you.
- Give the attached ISDA member Recommendation Form to your Dean or the ISDA member in your school.
- Give this application with your essay to the ISDA member in your school.

We, _____, agree to waive any right to access the recommendations written on the applicant's behalf for the ISDA Improved Student Scholarship and to accept the decision of the Illinois State Deans Association as final, understanding that it cannot be contested.

Applicant's Name: _____

Applicant's Signature: _____

Father's or Legal Guardian's Signature _____

Mother's or Legal Guardian's Signature _____

