# Independence High PTSA 2016-2017 Scholarship Announcement, Guidelines, & Application Independence High School Seniors - Class of 2017

The Independence High PTSA is pleased to offer the opportunity for the Senior Class of 2017 to apply for one of three (3) merit-based scholarships, totaling \$500 each. This scholarship is available to a graduating high school senior from Independence High School. The applicant must be a member of the Independence High School PTSA. This Scholarship is for use at an accredited college, university, community college, trade or technical school. This scholarship recognizes academics, volunteerism and community service. The scholarship is awarded one time and not renewable.

# **Student Scholarship Criteria**

The following criteria must be met by any student who applies for the PTSA Scholarship.

## <u>Eligibility:</u>

- 1. Member of the PTSA Must join the PTSA before submitting application.
- 2. Have a <u>3.0</u> or higher grade point average.
- 3. Have participated in a school club or team during his/her senior year.
- 4. Good attendance and school behavior
- 5. Accepted into an accredited college, vocational or technical school or other accredited post-secondary program.

#### **Application Requirements:**

- 1. Complete Scholarship Application
  - a. Submit a current transcript
  - b. Include Acceptance Letter
- 2. One paged typed essay (choose one of following topics)
  - a. The importance of furthering your education.
  - b. What is your chosen career and reason for selecting career?
  - c. How your high school experience has helped you to establish and achieve your goals.
- 3. Two References ( from any of the following)
  - a. Teacher/Counselor
  - b. Community Representative
  - c. Mentor

#### **Guidelines:**

- 1. The maximum number and amount of scholarships will be determined by the Scholarship Committee each year, based on the availability of funds.
- 2. All scholarship decisions made by the Scholarship Committee are final.
- 3. Scholarship awards are one-time awards and not renewable.
- 4. Big I PTSA Scholarships are merit-based and financial need is not considered.
- 5. Application must be complete, following the guidelines and instructions included in this packet and signed. Enter "N/A" where appropriate.
- Applications must be submitted to the Guidance Office as one complete pack by <u>12:00pm, on December 21, 2016</u>
- 7. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- 8. Applications will be scored by a committee of independent evaluators.
- 9. Confidentiality will be maintained for all information submitted.
- The Scholarship Committee will notify all Scholarship Award recipients and nonrecipients via e-mail by <u>May 9, 2016</u>
- 11. Scholarship winners must provide Proof of at the College/University receiving the check.
- 12. Scholarship winners will be recognized at the Senior Awards Night.
- 13. Scholarship checks will be issued by June 30th, made payable to the College and mailed to the Student's permanent address.
- 14. Scholarship winners must notify the Scholarship Committee if there is any change or delay in enrollment.

## **APPLICATION**

#### GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP

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### **Please type or Print legibly**

Applicant's Student ID:
Applicant's Name*:
Applicant's Email Address:
Applicant's Home Phone *: Cell:
Parent(s) Name(s)*:
Parent(s) Email Address:
Home Address*: Zip:
PTSA Member:  YES NO Invest In Your Child Contribution Received YES NO
Post-Secondary Plans Name and type of institution you plan to attend: 4 Yr 2 Yr
Have you been accepted by this institution? () *Yes () No *If yes, include proof of acceptance. What is your intended major or course of study:
Academic Record Weighted GPA: Class Rank:out of
Do your give permission for your name to be used in a news release concerning this scholarship?
YES D NO D

Student ID #\_\_\_\_\_ Page 2 Academic honors or awards: \_\_\_\_\_ Extra-Curricular - School Activities Organization Year(s) Position(s) Held Extra-Curricular - Community Activities Organization Year(s) Position(s) Held