

**NJASFAA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM
2006-2007**

Student Name _____ SS# _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Birth date _____ Class Level _____

Anticipated Graduation Date _____

Institution _____

Major/Field of Study _____

Career Goal _____

Please answer the following questions:

List your current extra curricular and/or job activities:

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Briefly, describe your career goals:

_____.

On an additional sheet of paper, submit a typed essay (500 words or less) about the value of education in your life.

STUDENT'S STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY

I authorize NJASFAA to use the above information for publicity purposes upon my acceptance of the scholarship. I also authorize the Financial Aid Office at my Institution to release information concerning my academic and financial history.

Student Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

SCHOLARSHIP FACTS

General Information:

- This year NELNET and Sallie Mae have made the NJASFAA Scholarship Program possible.
- Current active NJASFAA members may nominate up to **three** students from their institution.
- Six \$1,000 non-renewable scholarships, one in each sector, will be awarded.
- Scholarship winners will be selected from the following sectors: Non-traditional and Proprietary Schools, Community College and Two year Private Schools, Four Year Public, Four Year Independent, and Graduate and Professional Schools.

Selection Panel and Process:

The panel consists of representatives from each of the sectors listed above. Each member of the scholarship panel will individually rank each applicant's material. Applicants will be ranked on various criteria including, but not limited to: Cumulative GPA, relative financial need and content of a student's essay.

Student Eligibility:

All students applying for the NJASFAA Scholarship must meet all of the following requirements:

- ✓ Be a New Jersey resident
- ✓ Graduate/complete their program by no later than December 2007
- ✓ Have earned a GPA equal to or greater than a 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale)
- ✓ Be enrolled as a full time matriculated student during the Spring 2007 term
- ✓ Demonstrate significant educational debt (loan or unmet need)
- ✓ Demonstrate 'unusual hardship' and/or have evidence of unmet need

Timetable Approximate:

February 2007	Mail Scholarship Applications and Post on Web
March 16, 2007	Postmark Deadline for returning applications to Committee Chair
March 21, 2007	Review and select scholarship recipients
March 23, 2007	Chair notifies winners and nominating Financial Aid Professional
March 2007	School notifies winners to coordinate invitation to Spring Conference
April 18, 2007	Announce and present awards at the NJASFAA Spring Conference
April 19, 2007	Post names of winners and school on the NJASFAA Website

Distribution of funds:

NJASFAA will distribute checks at the Spring Conference. The Financial Aid Office must verify that the student is enrolled and in good academic standing at time of nomination. This scholarship is designed to reduce debt/unmet need – it is not to be used by the institution to replace or reduce grant or other scholarship funds. If the student withdraws from the school, all scholarship money must be returned to the NJASFAA Scholarship fund.