



\$5,000 “Student of Excellence” Scholarship 2025 Application

Name of Applicant: _____ Email: _____

Home Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Primary Contact Number: _____ Alternate Number: _____

Title of Personal Statement: _____ Word count: _____

Name of College/University & Address: _____

Major/minor course of study: _____ GPA average as of January 2025 _____

How did you hear about the AAEA Student of Excellence Scholarship Fund? _____

Please enclose the required documents detailed below. Completed application must be postmarked by

- 1) Please complete a typed, double-spaced personal statement not to exceed 500 words addressing the following:
 - Your academic and career goals.
 - Your leadership experiences and how you have demonstrated initiative.
 - Your connection to and desire to contribute to the **Albanian Community** and/or beyond.
 - Your financial need for this scholarship and how it will impact your ability to pursue your higher education.
 - **Include any other specific prompts or questions you want applicants to address Extracurricular Involvement:** Participation and leadership in extracurricular activities, clubs, organizations, or community service initiatives will be considered as indicators of well-roundedness and commitment.
 - The personal statement should be well-written, clearly articulate your thoughts, and reflect your unique experiences and aspirations.
 - **Accuracy and Honesty:** All information provided in the application must be accurate and truthful. Any misrepresentation will result in disqualification.
- 2) Return this signed and fully completed application form.
- 3) Include official Transcript (Applicant must have a GPA of 3.5 or higher.
- 4) Include 2 letters of recommendation by professors, academic advisors, employers or community leaders.
- 5) Include a copy of a college/university enrollment letter.

I certify that the information that I have provided on this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I authorize the office of the Registrar to release my academic information to the Albanian American Educators Scholarship Fund Committee. I give permission for the AAEA to share and distribute publicly, my name and personal statement if I am awarded a scholarship. I agree to the official rules and guidelines on the back of this application.

Signature (required): _____ Date: _____

Please complete and submit the above application to AAEA by date Monday June 30th, 2025.

Incomplete packets will be automatically disqualified.

All materials may be sent electronically to aaeany@gmail.com or mailed to:

AAEA
PO Box 58
Yonkers NY 10705
Rules and guidelines on back



Albanian American Educators Association

2025 Student of Excellence Scholarship Official Rules and Guidelines

Eligibility: Each contestant must be of Albanian decent, 19 years of age or older and currently enrolled as a student in an American post-secondary school or program, and able to provide a transcript, letters of recommendation and a college enrollment letter. Each student may enter only once and write a personal statement written in English, no longer than 500 words. Plagiarized essays will be subject to disqualification.

Entry Dates: Entries can be mailed to AAEA PO Box 58 Yonkers, New York 10704 or submitted electronically at www.aaeany@gmail.com. All entries must be received electronically no later than 5:00p.m. Eastern Time on **Monday June 30th, 2025**. Entries submitted electronically will receive an email confirmation. All mailed entries must be post marked by **Monday June 30th, 2025**. Contestants are responsible for all postage and shipping costs.

Entry Form: Student must provide all required information requested on the entry form and information must be legible. Students are required to read and understand these rules in order to complete the entry form in its entirety. The entry form includes a release and certification that must be signed by the contestant.

Labeling Requirements: Personal Statements must include student's name, home address, telephone number, school the student attends, College/Graduate level, title (if applicable) , and a word count. Essays must be no longer than 500 words in length, written in English, and must be typed.

Disclosure: AAEA Awards: Winners will receive a \$5,000 scholarship reward **made payable to the College/University of attendance for the Fall 2025 semester**. Once the winners are announced, the decision is final. Winners will be announced the week of July 21st, 2025.

Official Rules may be viewed at albanianamericaneducators.org/studentofexcellencerules

ESSAY CONTEST CHECKLIST

- ____ Personal Statement No longer than 500 words in essay format Written in English Typed
- ____ Completed, legible 2025 Scholarship Application form
- ____ School Official Transcript
- ____ School Letter of Enrollment
- ____ A College Acceptance letter (one required)
- ____ TWO (2) Letters of recommendation (no more than 250 words) from educator or professional
- ____ Submitted on time to be received by AAEA by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time Monday June 30th, 2025 or POSTMARKED Monday June 30th, 2025 its sole discretion, reserves the right to disqualify any person tampering with the entry process, the operation of the website or who is otherwise in violation of the Official Rules. Entrants agree AAEA has the sole right to decide all matters and disputes arising from this contest and that its decision is final and binding.

AAEA reserves the right to publicly share the personal statement and the name of winners.

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AAEA reserves the right to verify the legitimacy of all applicant information