



INFORMATION and APPLICATION
Instructions
for
Swanson Track and Field Award
Scipio A. Jones High National Alumni Association
and Former Students, Inc.

How to Apply

The Swanson Track and Field Award is a one-time financial award of \$500 each to a qualifying female and male track and field athlete and otherwise qualifying high school senior committed to continuing their education. The Award is being funded by Theodore Swanson in memory of his late wife Dorothy Swanson.

All Awards are decided without regard to the applicant's race, color, national origin, age, or disability. The key selection factors used to find winners are leadership, qualities shown through school and community organizations, English composition, writing skills, and overall academic achievement.

ELIGIBILITY

The following policies apply to applicants for the Swanson Track and Field Award(s):

- A. The applicant must verify that they have:
- Successfully completed the curriculum at an accredited high school or equivalent.
 - Made satisfactory progress toward high school graduation provided by a transcript of the current year.
 - Maintained/graduated with a high school grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.
 - Applicant has applied and will attend an accredited post-secondary educational institution, usually a college, university, trade school or technical school.

How the Committee Selects Scholars

An applicant must send:

- A **completed printable** Awards application. Form is available online at www.sajonesnationalalumni.com or from an alumni member.
- A **current transcript (sealed)**.
- Two letters of recommendations.
- **One must be from the applicant's High School Counselor on school Letterhead with a signature.**
- **The second letter from a teacher, business, civic, or religious leader in the community on letterhead with a signature and contact number(s).** (Both letters should emphasize the applicant's special accomplishments, abilities, talents, and any other significant information). **Letters cannot come from relatives.**
- Autobiography with a minimum of 250 words to include:
 - a) The course of study or major field.
 - b) Proposed future profession or occupation.
 - c) Leadership skills, and/or accomplishments in high school and in the community.
 - d) The applicant must supply a typed double spaces profile to include leadership skills and/or accomplishments in school, in the community, talents or any other significant information.

Payment of Award

The S. A. Jones Heritage Awards committee selects the recipient(s). The committee reviews and thoroughly evaluates each qualifying application and all documents sent for the selection process used to decide the winner(s).

The Swanson Track and Field recipient(s) will receive a one- time payment to pay for books, tuition, and other ordinary expenses at a qualifying post-secondary educational institution (College, University, Technical or Trade School). To receive the financial aid, the scholar must enroll in school the first semester or term after their high school graduation.

When the applicant sends sufficient evidence of enrollment, such as (class schedule) to the Alumni, the Treasurer will send the award to the address provided by the student.

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SUBMIT APPLICATION MATERIALS TO:

Swanson Track and Field

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All applications are due before April 15, 2024

The Heritage Awards Committee will not accept late or incomplete applications.