

The Heart of America Golf Course Superintendents Association of America

Legacy Awards



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Promoting the welfare of the game of golf, the professional image and well-being of individual members, and to unite golf course superintendents in this area.

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Application Deadline: August 31, 2011

**Return completed applications to:
Heart of America Golf Course Superintendents Association
Scholarship Program
638 West 39th Street
PO Box 419264
Kansas City, MO 64141
Phone: 816-561-5323 Fax: 816-561-1991
Email: kweitzel@swassn.com**

The HAGCSA Legacy Awards

Information for Applicants

General

The HAGCSA Legacy Awards competition offers education aid to the children and grandchildren of HAGCSA members. **Award of \$1,000 is funded by PROFESSIONAL TURF PRODUCTS and THE TORO COMPANY.** The award is administered by The Heart of America Board of Trustees.

Applications will be reviewed by an independent committee consisting of three high school educators and three college administrators. All decisions of the committee will be final. Applicants will be notified of their status by mail by October 31 of the year submitted. All scholarship award checks will be made payable to the applicant and his/her educational institution.

Eligibility

1. One or more of the applicant's parents or grandparents must have been a HAGCSA member for five or more consecutive years and must be a currently active HAGCSA member in one of the following classifications: A, Superintendent Member, C, Retired-A, Retired-B or AA Life. The competition is open to natural or adoptive offspring of HAGCSA members. Children or grandchildren of deceased members are also eligible if the member was active at the time of his or her death.
2. The student must be enrolled full-time at an accredited institution of higher learning, or in the case of high school seniors, must be accepted at such an institution for the next academic year. Graduating high school seniors must attach a letter of acceptance to their application.
3. **Past winners are ineligible to apply the following year. They may reapply after a one-year hiatus.**
4. Although any number of students from the same family may apply, only one student per family will be eligible to receive an award.
5. Children of those employed by PROFESSIONAL TURF PRODUCTS, THE TORO COMPANY, The Heart of America Board of Trustees, the HAGCSA Board of Directors, and HAGCSA staff are not eligible for this program.

Criteria for Selection

1. Applicants will be evaluated based on academic achievement, extracurricular and community involvement, leadership and outside employment.
2. The student must submit an original essay of up to 500 words. **The essay must be original and not previously submitted to HAGCSA.**

Financial need is not a factor in the selection.

How to Apply

Students must complete and submit the attached application form and supply the following under one cover:

1. Transcripts from all high schools and colleges attended.
2. Typed original essay.
3. Graduating high school seniors must attach a collegiate letter of acceptance to their application.
4. All applications must be postmarked by August 31, 2011.
5. Additional application booklets may be obtained from HAGCSA Chapter Presidents or the HAGCSA website (www.HAGCSA.org).
6. Send the packet to:

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HAGCSA Legacy Award Program

Your scholarship application will be judged by its appearance. It is important to remember the following tips:

1. Read the instructions carefully.
2. Request information that you have to obtain from others early. When your school will be sending transcripts directly to us, check back with the school about a week after you make your request to make sure your transcripts have been sent.
3. If you have questions, call the number on the application.
4. Try and have your application arrive as early as possible.
5. Provide all the information required. Do not submit an incomplete application.
6. Do not include extra items.
7. Proof all materials. Have one or two other people proof your essay. Use spell check.
8. Type your application. If you do not have a computer or a typewriter, go to the computer lab at your school.
9. Be neat. If you need additional pages to fully answer a question, use them.
10. Use white paper. Do not use staples.
11. Make copies of your finished application for reference.

Checklist for a complete application

- Carefully complete each question in application.
- Sign where indicated.
- Attach transcripts from all universities and post-secondary schools that include grades from the last completed semester. The transcripts do not need to be official.
- Attach required essay.
- If you are a graduating high school senior, attach a letter of acceptance from the college you plan to attend.

Deadline for Submitting Application

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Application Form

It is very important that you TYPE this form.

Section 1

Name _____ Date _____

Permanent Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone () _____ E-mail _____

Cell phone _____

Section 2—Member Relative Information

Name of Member _____

Relationship to Applicant: Parent Step-parent

HAGCSA Member is : Living Deceased

City/State/ZIP _____

HAGCSA Member # _____ Member since _____
(Month/year)

Current Classification _____

Member's signature _____

Section 3

List in chronological order high schools attended, then colleges. It is very important that this information is complete. (Note: the information provided must be documented by a school transcript.)

<i>Name/Location of Institution</i>	<i>Dates Attended</i>	<i>GPA (4.0 scale)</i>	<i>Date of Graduation*</i>

*If pending, please indicate the date you expect to graduate.

Section 3 *continued*

Are you now attending college? Yes No

If so, which college? _____

If not, have you been accepted for the fall semester? Yes No

Which school? _____

What is/will be your major? _____

List any academic distinctions and honors you have received during high school or college:

List school or college activities in which you have participated (athletics, clubs, school paper, fine arts, etc.). Please note any honors or distinctions you have received:

List your activities outside of school or college (clubs, organizations, community service, etc.):

Have you ever been a member of:

- FFA LPGA Girls Golf The First Tee
 MANRRS (Minorities in Agriculture, Natural Resources and Related Sciences)
 Other _____ AJGA

Section 3 *continued*

List any offices held in school or community organizations:

List employment you have held since entering high school:

Type of Work	Employer	Employment Dates

List any other scholarships awarded:

Scholarship	Sponsor	Date	Amount

Do you qualify for in-state tuition? Yes No

While in college, will you be contributing toward anyone else's financial support?

Yes No

If yes, please indicate name, relationship and ages of those you will be supporting.

Name	Relationship	Age

Please give the name(s) and address(es) of your local and school newspapers:

Local newspaper _____

Address _____

City, State and Zip Code _____

School newspaper _____

Address _____

City, State and Zip Code _____

Section 4

Attach a typed essay that does not exceed 500 words. The essay must be original and not previously submitted to HAGCSA. The essay should be on one of the following topics:

1. Who has been the most influential person in your life? Why?
2. How has your education contributed to who you are today?
3. Please describe the personal achievement of which you are most proud.
4. Identify a social or political issue that concerns you, and explain what actions you have taken in your community to address it.
5. What do you consider the most important person or event of the last five years?
Explain why.
6. Where do you see yourself in ten years?
7. What are your short- and long-term goals?
8. Why is protecting the environment important to you?

Certification

I certify that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

(Applicant's Signature)

(Date)