We know that each scholarship applicant may be very deserving. However, providing justification for award eligibility as it would be judged and determined by others whose only knowledge of the nominees is who they are by what they have accomplished and the content, sentence structure, punctuation of your essay, judges have to base their recommendation from the submitted applications.

The judges: Random alumni of Downs High School and members of the DHS Alumni Association will independently review your submission and scholarship request. Their determination is based TOTALLY on who you have presented yourself to be. They are not influenced by your name, reputation, or their opinion of you as personally witnessed in the community, as the applications they are reviewing are submitted to them anonymously. They know that to be eligible, have met the required criteria to submit your application.

As the judges review your submission, bear in mind that this scholarship award is based on ACADEMIC MERIT, GOOD CITIZENSHIP, and YOUR WRITTEN ESSAY. They know only what you tell them.... so choose your words wisely and report your achievements. Best of luck to each one of you!

## IMPORTANT

Recipient of the DHSAA Scholarship will need to forward college and account information to DHSAA once enrolled. Funds will be paid directly to the college to be applied to your account and information must be received by 9/1/2024 or funds will be forfeited. Please email your college information to downshighschool@gmail.com

Things to Remember: Based on application answers and information you provide, judges will score the following areas.

1 - Need<br>2 - Aptitude<br>3 - Attitude<br>4 - Ambition<br>5 - Success Oriented<br>6 - Performance / Achievement<br>7 - Leadership<br>8 - To Serve Greater Than Self<br>9 - Completed Questions 1-4<br>10 - Values

- Activity History
- Future Plans/College Plans/ Study Area - Preparation
- Why I Deserve
- Long Term Goal
- Essay: Content \& Number of Paragraphs and Lines

