

THE DR. ALEC KESSLER MEMORIAL STUDENT-ATHLETE SCHOLARSHIP

The Dr. Alec Kessler Memorial Student-Athlete Scholarship Fund, in affiliation with the Andrews-Paulos Foundation for Research and Education, a non-profit entity of the Andrews Institute in Gulf Breeze, Florida, is offering several \$2500 academic scholarships to deserving student athletes who reside in Escambia or Santa Rosa counties. They must graduate in 2010 and attend an accredited four year college or university, beginning 2010.

Application Guidelines: The scholarship will be awarded to students of good character who excel in academics, participate in a sanctioned high school sport and have been involved in community service. The scholarship winners must also have an unmet financial need for assistance.

Application Deadline: November 15, 2009: Completed applications must be postmarked by this date. Incomplete applications will not be considered. A Memorial Fund representative will contact the recipients of the scholarship awards by December 15, 2009. All other applicants will be notified by mail. Scholarship awards will be applied towards the winners' first year college tuition in 2010.

Eligibility: In order to be considered for one of the Dr. Alec Kessler Memorial Student-Athlete Scholarships the student must meet the following criteria:

- *Be a high school student enrolled in an Escambia or Santa Rosa County public or private school.
- * Have a minimum unweighted cumulative high school GPA of 3.0 per their official grade transcript.
- * Have SAT or ACT test scores.
- *Be accepted by and enroll in a four year accredited college or university in the United States in 2010.

To support the applicant's qualifications the following documentation is required:

- *An official high school transcript showing ACT or SAT scores.
- *Two (2) letters of recommendation- (each) from a current high school teacher or administrator.
- *Two (2) or more letters from community based organizations, on the organization's letterhead verifying community service and hours performed.
- *One (1) letter from the high school Athletic Director or Coach verifying candidate's participation in a high school sport.
- *To show a financial need a copy of the household W2 form(s) **and** a copy of the last tax filing (i.e. 1040 form) for all household members will be required from the scholarship winners.
- *Copy of college acceptance letter (as soon as available).

Applicant must complete a writing sample as outlined on the application form (please see attached form).

Selection Criteria: A panel comprised of the Dr. Alec Kessler Memorial Scholarship advisors will review and evaluate the applications to make final decisions on the scholarship awards. The following criteria will be considered in the evaluation of all applications:

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| *Career goals | *Teacher/school official recommendations | *College/University acceptance |
| *Writing sample | *Academic Achievement | *Sport participation |
| *Financial need | *Community service verification letters | |

Please submit all material to:
Dr. Alec Kessler Memorial Student Athlete Scholarship
c/o Andrews Institute Charitable Foundation
1020 Gulf Breeze Parkway
Gulf Breeze, FL 32561

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