



The GIADA Scholarship Program

THE PROGRAM

The Georgia Independent Automobile Dealers Association (GIADA) has established a scholarship program to assist owners, officers and employees' children, stepchildren and grandchildren who plan to continue their education in college or vocational school programs. Scholarships are offered each year for full-time study at an accredited institution of the student's choice.

This scholarship program is administered by Scholarship America[®], the nation's largest designer and manager of scholarship, tuition assistance and other education support programs for corporations, foundations, associations and individuals. Awards are granted without regard to race, color, creed, religion, sexual orientation, age, gender, disability or national origin.

ELIGIBILITY

Applicants to the GIADA Scholarship Program must -

- Be children, stepchildren or grandchildren of owners, officers or employees of a GIADA member dealership and active Associate Members* who are citizens of the United States and who are employed as of the date of verification. If the employee becomes disabled, retires or dies during the application process, the child, stepchild or grandchild is still eligible

**Associate Members are those companies other than car dealers, who serve the Georgia car dealers. They must operate as a Georgia company, server Georgia car dealers and be in good standing with GIADA.*

- Be high school seniors or graduates who plan to enroll or students who are already enrolled in a full-time undergraduate course of study at an accredited two-year or four-year college, university or vocational-technical school in the United States for the entire upcoming academic year.

AWARDS

If selected as a recipient, the student will receive a \$4,000 award. Up to three (3) awards will be granted each year.

Awards are not renewable. Past recipients may not reapply.

Awards are one time only.

Awards are for undergraduate study only.

APPLICATION

Interested students must complete the application and mail it along with a current, complete transcript of grades to Scholarship America postmarked no later than **May 1**. Grade reports are not acceptable. Unofficial transcripts must display student name, school name, grade and credit hours earned for each course, and term in which each course was taken. Applicants will receive acknowledgment of receipt of their application. If an acknowledgment email is not received within three weeks, applicants may call Scholarship America to verify that the application has been received.

Applicants are responsible for gathering and submitting all necessary information. Applications are evaluated on the information supplied; therefore, answer all questions as completely as possible. Incomplete applications will not be evaluated. All information received is considered confidential and is reviewed only by Scholarship America.

SELECTION OF RECIPIENTS

Scholarship recipients are selected on the basis of academic record, demonstrated leadership and participation in school and community activities, honors, work experience, statement of goals and aspirations, unusual personal or family circumstances, and an outside appraisal. Financial need is not considered.

Selection of recipients is made by Scholarship America. In no instance does any officer or employee of GIADA play a part in the selection. All applicants agree to accept the decision as final.

Applicants will be notified in late May. Not all applicants to the program will be selected as recipients. Students may reapply to the program each year they meet eligibility requirements.

PAYMENT OF SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarship America processes scholarship payments on behalf of GIADA. Payments are made in one installment on August.

OBLIGATIONS

Recipients have no obligation to GIADA. They are, however, required to notify Scholarship America of any changes in address, school enrollment, or other relevant information and to send a complete transcript when requested.

REVISIONS

GIADA reserves the right to review the conditions and procedures of this scholarship program and to make changes at any time, including termination of the program.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Questions regarding the scholarship program should be addressed to:

The GIADA Scholarship Program

Scholarship America
One Scholarship Way
Saint Peter, MN 56082

Telephone: (507) 931-1682