

Anderson High School Swim & Dive Team

Splash Scholarship – Spring 2019

Description and Goal

The Anderson High School Swim & Dive Team Splash Scholarship has been established to recognize one graduating male and one graduating female team member each spring. Scholarship recipients are the individuals who have best demonstrated leadership, team spirit, school pride and support for their community. By granting this scholarship we encourage team members to strive to perform their very best both as members of the swim & dive team as well as representatives of the team in their non-team related endeavors.

Mandatory eligibility requirements

- 2 or more years as an active member of the team (swimmer, diver or team manager)
- Cumulative 7 semester *GPA of 3.25 or better
- Completed application must be turned in via email to the swim & dive team coach by **March 15th** of the given year.
- Minimum *90% practice attendance for each year applicant has been on the team
- Personal interview with the scholarship committee
- Plans to attend college after high school graduation (taking 1 gap year does not disqualify a candidate as long as he/she has officially deferred enrollment after college acceptance)

***exceptions for minimum GPA and attendance will be left up to the discretion of the coach**

Scholarship Award Considerations

Scholarships will be awarded by a 3 member scholarship committee. The committee is made up of 1 parent/guardian representative from the 9th, 10th and 11th grade classes. Awards by the committee are determined by a combination of the completed application and essay, coach's evaluation, personal interview, and team evaluations.

Recipients shall be team members who make us proud beyond their athletic contributions to the team. Recipients will be individuals who clearly demonstrate a drive to be successful and instill the expectancy that they will continue to make the team proud in the future.

General Information

A committee representative will speak to the seniors sometime in February to explain the scholarship, its eligibility requirements, and how it is awarded. The head coach will individually inform all seniors of their eligibility prior to **February 15th** and submit a list of eligible seniors to the scholarship committee.

The application, along with a finalized version of the scholarship description and eligibility requirements will be posted on the team website where it can be viewed and downloaded by all team members and parents/guardians. Specific submission dates will also be updated and posted at the beginning of the Spring semester.

An email reminder will be sent to all seniors and another to their parents/guardians during the Spring semester announcing the guidelines and submission dates for the application.

Confidentiality

The Splash Scholarship committee will not disclose who the applicants are or how many applied during the given year. Also specifics of the interviews as well as personal information on the applications will not be discussed outside of the committee and the coach.

OTHER STUFF

How Many

It is recommended that the Booster Club continue to award an annual scholarship to one young lady and one young man each year. While the AHS Swim & Dive team is very much a school team with camaraderie and team spirit-- swimming and diving are also individual sports that compete separately by gender. Our tradition of electing both boy and girl captains each year mirrors how our team members compete. Maintaining a scholarship that is also reflective of how they compete fosters the same healthy competitiveness among teammates that positively contributes to their individual successes in the pool. Continuing to award the Splash Scholarship in this manner will encourage the competitiveness of both our boys and our girls to each be a winner among winners.

Timeline

Mid-Feb

- Team evaluations given to students **Feb 15th**
- Application period opens **Feb 15th**
- Application deadline is **March 15th**

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- Interview schedule is set
- Deadline for student and coach evaluations to be submitted to committee

Week of March 25th - week after spring break

- Interviews
- Committee selects recipients

SPRING BANQUET March 31st

- Awards are announced at the team banquet