

2011 ODSL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Introduction

The ODSL scholarship program provides partial college scholarships to one deserving young woman and one deserving young man each swim season. The scholarships will be awarded based on a demonstrated sportsmanship, citizenship and a commitment to the sport of swimming that resulted in a positive impact on their own development and the ODSL as a whole. The scholarships will be awarded at the end of each season at the All-Star Swim Meet.

The 2011 Scholarship award amount will be \$1000.00 per recipient.

Eligibility

Applicants are eligible to apply for a scholarship award in their senior year of high school (or their final season of eligibility in the ODSL) as they intend to enter college or an institution or higher education. Each applicant must have been an active ODSL swimmer for at least the two prior seasons.

Application

Eligible participants must submit their completed applications to the ODSL Scholarship Committee **no later than 12:00 PM (noon) April 15, 2011**. Please email applications to ally917@aol.com and your ODSL Team Representative. Included in the application package must be:

- One letter of recommendation from your ODSL Team Representative, Team governing organization or Team Head Coach.
- A completed ODSL scholarship application form.
- Documentation showing next level of education
- A 400-500 essay on the "how the sport of swimming has benefited your life and the lessons you will take into adulthood."

Selection

A selection committee, composed of at least two ODSL Team Representatives will be established to review all applications. The committee may elect to interview candidates in order to make final recommendation to the league.

Award Ceremony

The awards will be announced and funds will be distributed in the form of a check at the All-Star Meet.

Questions

Questions or requests for clarification should be directed to Alyson Manning by email at ally917@aol.com, or phone at 703-975-2332. Please note that questions should be directed in advance of the deadline and the ODSL will not extend the deadline because of unanswered questions.

ODSL Scholarship Application Form

Applicant Information

Name: _____

Birth Date: __/__/__

Mailing Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone: _____

ODSL Team Name: _____

ODSL Team Representative or Contact: _____

High School Attended: _____

Date of Graduation: __/__/__

Education Goals: _____

Number of Years Swimming: _____

State the seasons you have swum in the ODSL: _____

I have read and understand the conditions for participation in this scholarship program. The information I am supplying in this application is true, complete and correct.

If awarded the ODSL Scholarship, I agree to allow the ODSL to publish this announcement on its website as well as in local news media as appropriate. In addition ODSL maintains the rights to the essay without payment of any royalty fee to me.

Swimmer Signature _____

Date: __/__/__

If the student is younger than 18 years old, a parent or guardian signature is also required.

Parent or Guardian Signature _____

Essay: (400-500 words) (attached)

Please Email your completed ODSL Scholarship Application Package (Scholarship Application Form, Essay and Team Letter of Recommendation) to Allyson Manning at ally917@aol.com and your ODSL Team Representative **no later than 12:00 PM April 15, 2011**. All applications must be submitted electronically using a common text editing format.

Judging Criteria

The scholarship committee will award each area points ranging on a 1-10 scale with 1 being low and 10 being high. The male and female with the highest points will be awarded the scholarship. In the event of a tie, the committee shall interview the tied applicants to make their final decision.

Areas of consideration:

Number of years swam in league

Letter of recommendation from team

Contributions made to team or ODSL

Essay