



The QUEST Scholar Program seeks academically qualified students who are willing to make the following commitments to their high school education:

- Significant community service commitment EVERY summer
- Attendance at a Study Skills Session during the summer
- Weekly peer-tutoring commitment during each school year
- Attendance at test preparatory meetings
- Attendance at all QUEST events, including picnics and college visits
- Parent participation in Parent-to-Parent sessions
- Consistent communication with the QUEST Program Director
- Strong and consistent academic effort

In return for this commitment, QUEST participants receive many educational benefits:

- A significant scholarship to Notre Dame Academy, provided that need is established
- Academic and social support as often as needed by the QUEST Program Director
- Special events, such as cultural field trips and college visits set up by the QUEST Program Director
- The ability to attend one of the premier Catholic high schools in the country

QUEST Program Requirements:

- Financial need must be established in order to receive the QUEST scholarship.
- Application, essay, two letters of recommendation, and the FACTS form must be completed and turned in by the February 5th 2010 deadline.
- Academic ability must be established with a strong academic record and standardized test scores in junior high and elementary school.
- Student must be goal-oriented and focused on her education.
- Both students and parents must be willing to attend extensive interviews with Notre Dame Academy administration in order to show strong commitment to the QUEST Program.

Special consideration will be given to the following students:

- Students from an underrepresented group
- Students who come from a single-parent household
- Students who have attended Central City schools
- Students who will be first-generation college graduates
- Students with a GPA of 3.0 or higher

Applications are available on NDA website: www.nda.org.



Notre Dame Academy

Quest Scholar Program

MISSION: Operation Quest - “Seeking the Future” is a program at Notre Dame Academy that provides youth whose families possess significant financial need with the support and care that will enhance their academic, personal and spiritual development. Quest seeks to help young women realize their dreams and reach their full potential at NDA and in life. Due to the generosity of donors and friends of Notre Dame Academy, significant scholarship funds are available for qualified Quest recipients.

STUDENT CRITERIA:

- A student who has requested financial aid, and has in fact exhibited “financial need,” based on the Notre Dame Academy approved financial aid form.
- A goal-oriented student, focused on education, who works to her potential and is academically qualified to continue her education at Notre Dame Academy. (A grade point average of 3.0 is preferred.)
- A well-rounded student, who intends to “make a difference” in her own life and in the lives of others.
- A student who has submitted an essay sharing her personal motivation and desire for securing the scholarship. **The essay must address how the student believes a Notre Dame Academy education will impact her life and how she plans to make a difference in the world.**
- The student must present to the selection committee **two** letters of recommendation: one from her Principal and another from a teacher or counselor.
- Any student receiving the Quest Scholarship must participate in a summer study skills session prior to their freshman year, summer community service activities, weekly tutoring sessions, bi-annual college visits, and other Quest-sponsored activities as determined by the Quest Program Director.
- Parents/guardians of Quest Scholars will be required to participate in Notre Dame Academy’s parent and school activities as well as Quest-sponsored activities, thus helping to provide the additional support students need to personally and academically succeed. Quest parents are required to complete Parent-to-Parent program and attend monthly Quest meetings.
- The scholarship may be presented to incoming Freshmen, and may be renewed annually if the student otherwise remains eligible based on participation and academic performance.

QUEST SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Section I: Background Information

Student's Name _____ Class _____ Date _____

Address _____

City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____

School Attending _____

Father's Name _____

Address _____

City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Occupation _____ Employer _____

Mother's Name _____

Address _____

City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone

Occupation _____ Employer

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Section II: Student Essay

The essay must address how the student believes a Notre Dame Academy education will impact her life and how she plans to make a difference in her family, school, church, and civic community. **(Minimum one (1) typewritten page, maximum three (3) typewritten pages.)**

Section III: Parent Statement

Important to the success of the Quest program is the support and commitment of the parent(s). As part of the Quest program, you will be expected to attend regular meetings, to support academic initiatives, and to help your daughter fulfill the responsibilities associated with her commitment to the Quest program. In your parent statement, please discuss your expectations of the Quest program as well as the ways in which you would be willing to support your daughter, Notre Dame Academy and the programs/activities associated with her high school education.

Return completed application materials to the Main Office by:

February 5th, 2010

Attn.: Mrs. Christine Knaggs

Quest Program Director

Notre Dame Academy

Quest Scholarship Review Committee

3535 W. Sylvania Avenue

Toledo, OH 43623

APPLICATION CHECKLIST:

- Essay completed.
- Parent statement completed.
- Application completed.
- Two letters of recommendation.
- Financial Aid form submitted