



## **OUTSTANDING SENIOR HIGH YOUTH AWARD**

Please find enclosed four (4) pages of information and forms regarding the Outstanding Senior High Youth Award. This award is presented to the student who is chosen by a panel of judges. The award is intended to honor and recognize an outstanding Senior High Student who is judged on Scholastic Ability, Character, and Leadership Skills—in general, a well-rounded student.

All Senior High School students are eligible to apply. Those students who live in a state that does not have an ESA Youth Award Chairman may participate. Those states having a Chairman must have their State winner selected by March 1<sup>st</sup> and the forms forwarded to the IC Youth Award Chair. It is our hope that all ESA members will recognize an outstanding student, and we encourage their participation in this award.

The winner on the International level will receive \$1,000.00 grant which may be applied toward tuition, registration, fees, books, supplies, and equipment, or any other college fees or academic expenses.

The forms and information must be postmarked no later than March 1<sup>st</sup> and submitted to the IC Awards Chair. The winner of the award will be notified by May 15<sup>th</sup>. Applications improperly completed, incomplete, or not on the current form, and postmarked later than March 1<sup>st</sup> will be disqualified.

Mail directly to:

International Council Awards Chair  
Brenda Fields  
717 Galveston Court  
Moscow Mills, MO 63362  
(636) 485-8694  
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## **Outstanding Senior High Youth Award**

### **AWARD GUIDELINES**

1. The winner of the Epsilon Sigma Alpha Outstanding Senior High Youth Award shall receive the ESA Foundation Outstanding Youth Award Grant in the amount of \$1,000.00 provided:
  - The International Council (IC) Board representative notifies the ESA Foundation by May 1<sup>st</sup>. There are adequate funds to give the grant in the fund account by April 1<sup>st</sup>. The winner meets the criteria established for the Outstanding Youth Award.
  - The award, in the amount of \$1,000.00 grant, may be applied toward tuition, registration, fees, books, supplies and equipment, dormitory fees, or any other college fees or academic expensed. The award shall be made payable to the recipient and the institution of higher learning of the winner's choice. If the college or university of choice is changed, the Scholarship Director of the ESA Foundation should be notified immediately. The check should be returned and another check issued by the ESA Foundation to the correct college or university.
  - It is understood that the grant award will be held in escrow should the recipient not be a high school graduate or ready to continue his/her education. The ESA Foundation shall provide a certificate for the recipient, which will be redeemable for the designated grant at the time a college is selected.
2. The Outstanding Youth will receive a certificate from the International Council of Epsilon Sigma Alpha.



## OUTSTANDING SENIOR HIGH YOUTH AWARD

### COVER SHEET

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Applicant:

If you are a winner of the Epsilon Sigma Alpha International Council (IC) Outstanding Senior High Youth Award Contest, you will be notified by May 15<sup>th</sup>.

This completed application and all required enclosures must be sent to the IC Youth Awards Chair **POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN MARCH 1<sup>st</sup>**. Applications improperly completed, incomplete, or not on the current form will be disqualified.

Read the instructions carefully.

Mail directly to **International Council Award Chair** (Address on cover letter).

**(PLEASE RETURN THIS COVER SHEET WITH YOUR APPLICATION FOR CONVENIENCE IN PROCESSING.)**

I certify that all facts in this application are true to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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#### (For Office Use Only)

Meets criteria of the designated scholarship

- \_\_\_\_\_ 3.0 GPS minimum on a 4.0 Grade Scale
- \_\_\_\_\_ Two (2) letters of recommendation
- \_\_\_\_\_ Application signed by the applicant
- \_\_\_\_\_ Current transcript
- \_\_\_\_\_ Student's essay
- \_\_\_\_\_ Met the March 1<sup>st</sup> deadline
- \_\_\_\_\_ Picture

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

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## OUTSTANDING SENIOR HIGH YOUTH AWARD APPLICATION

### Criteria for Selection:

A. Character                      B. Leadership Skills                      C. Scholastic Ability

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: Female: \_\_\_\_\_ Male: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

High School GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

All applications must be submitted in English and all transcripts must be certified.

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**ALL SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ARE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY. THE SECTION BELOW IS TO BE COMPLETED AND SIGNED BY THE INDIVIDUAL AND/OR ESA CHAPTER SPONSORING THEIR APPLICATION.**

I / We do hereby submit the name of \_\_\_\_\_ as our entry in competition for the Epsilon Sigma Alpha International Council Outstanding Junior High Youth Award.

Individual Name or ESA Chapter Name & #: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Numbers: (Day) \_\_\_\_\_ (Evening) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Deadline: March 1<sup>st</sup>**

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## OUTSTANDING SENIOR HIGH YOUTH AWARD APPLICATION

The name of this award shall be known as the **Epsilon Sigma Alpha (ESA) Outstanding Senior High Youth Award**.

The International Council (IC) of ESA shall select the Outstanding Senior High Youth based upon the following criteria:

### ***Scholastic Ability***

The applicant shall be a senior high student who meets the academic qualification:

Have a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 Grade Scale

The applicant shall provide a copy of the most recent to verify grades.

### ***Character and Leadership Skills***

The applicant shall provide the judging committee with two (2) letters of recommendation. At least one recommendation shall be from a teacher or school official. Recommendations shall not be submitted from members of the applicant's family. Recommendations should be originals of recent (current) year.

The applicant shall provide a personal essay. The essay topic shall be, **“What is the definition of an outstanding individual and how do I personally meet this definition?”** There is no specified length requirement; however, typewritten essays are preferred. The essay must be an original, which is signed and dated by the applicant.

### **Rules and Regulations**

The winner of the Outstanding Senior High Youth Award will be chosen annually. A person may receive this award only **one** time. A person may apply for this award as many times as they wish as long as they meet the criteria. No special consideration will be given to an applicant who makes a second or third entry for this award.

The deadline for submitting applications will be **March 1<sup>st</sup>** and must be sent to the International Council Youth Award Chair by the specified date. **All necessary information must be included with the application form at that time.**

The applicant must apply for this award to his/her individual State ESA Youth Award Chair. (If no State Chair directly to the IC Awards Chair.). The application with all attachments, if approved, will be forwarded to the International Council Awards Chair and committee for approval and judging.

A letter will be sent to the winner (only) after judging has been completed and no later than May 15<sup>th</sup>.

Enclose a **photo of student**.