

MISSISSIPPI ATHLETIC TRAINERS ASSOCIATION
SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

October 14, 2008

Dear Fellow Athletic Trainer and Students of Athletic Training,

This letter is criteria for application for a one time non-renewable \$1000 undergraduate scholarship to be awarded to one (1) student in Mississippi who is enrolled at a two or four-year institutions of higher learning. This \$1000 scholarship is to be awarded to a student who is either an athletic training student OR is studying to become a certified athletic trainer. Enclosed please find the material necessary for applying for this undergraduate scholarship from the Mississippi Athletic Trainers Association. **DEADLINE for this scholarship application is May 1st 2009.**

Students who are seeking to receive this scholarship need to be aware this is a one time non-renewable undergraduate scholarship that will be awarded by the MATA to one (1) student who has shown scholarly work in academics and participated in gathering hours of clinical experiences in the field of athletic training. Students who are not awarded a scholarship by the MATA are encouraged to apply again. The monetary value of this scholarship will be sent directly to the award winners institution.

Applicants must meet **ALL** criteria stated on the enclosed pages and fill out the application form for consideration. Applicants must have the required grade point average for consideration **AND** be sponsored by a Licensed Athletic Trainer who is a current member of the MATA. As a student, if YOU are NOT a member of the MATA or if your supervising athletic trainer is NOT a member of the MATA.....JOIN!!!! Only students who are members of the MATA will be considered for this undergraduate scholarship and only those supervising athletic trainers who are members of the MATA can sponsor a student for this undergraduate scholarship.

All applicants will receive a letter advising them of their final award status. Award of scholarship will be announced by personal letter to the recipient, the next MATA newsletter and at the next official meeting of the MATA. The award winner will be encouraged to attend the Annual MATA Symposium to be recognized as an award winner.

Good luck!!!!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gerald Jordan". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Gerald Jordan, MEd, ATC Scholarship Committee, Chair

Mississippi Athletic Trainers' Association (MATA) Scholarship Committee Criteria for Awarding of the Andy "Doc" Bryan Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship

A one time non-renewable scholarship of \$1000 will be awarded to one (1) outstanding student in athletic training enrolled at two or four-year institutions of higher learning located in the State of Mississippi. These institutions must employ a LICENSED ATHLETIC TRAINER who is a current member of the MATA. This scholarship will be awarded prior to the fall academic year. The awarding of a scholarship will be determined on the following criteria.

Applicants must:

1. Submit a completed MATA scholarship application form.
2. Submit type written, double spaced, 250-300 word essay on "Why I wish to become an Athletic Trainer".
3. Submit a professional resume.
4. Be a upcoming sophomore, junior or senior athletic training student **OR** a student that actively works with the athletic training staff at a four year educational institution of higher learning in Mississippi, **OR** a sophomore at a community/junior college in Mississippi that actively works with the athletic training staff.
5. Be a student member of MATA and enrolled as a full time student at the time of application and for the time the scholarship will be used.
6. Use and apply scholarship monies toward the achieving of a baccalaureate or associates degree at a college or university located in the State of Mississippi.
7. Have a minimum of 500 hours of documented clinical experiences in athletic training, if you have completed your junior year; **OR**, a minimum of 50 hours of documented clinical experiences in athletic training if you have completed your freshman year. This documentation of clinical hours must be in the letter of endorsement from the supervising athletic trainer.
8. Have a licensed athletic trainer, who is a current member of the MATA, send a letter of endorsement indicating the student's good standing in the study of athletic training and the number of documented clinical hours completed by the sponsored student to the MATA Scholarship Committee separate from the application.
9. Have a minimum GPA of 3.0 and arrange for current official transcripts to be sent to the MATA Scholarship Committee. Unofficial transcripts will **NOT** be accepted.

Application, letters of recommendation, official transcripts, essay and professional resume must be posted marked by May 1st to:

**MATA Scholarship Committee
C/O Troy Armstrong, ATC, LAT
1300 S. Fifth St.
Cleveland, MS 38732**

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**Mississippi Athletic Trainers Association
Andy "Doc" Bryan Memorial Undergraduate
Scholarship Application**

1. Name _____
(last) (first) (middle)

2. Address _____
(street, P.O. box) (city) (state) (zipcode)

3. Name of Institution _____ .

4. Next academic year I will be a : Sophomore Soph Junior Senior
(check one only) at a Junior at a four-year College/University
College

5. Current GPA: _____ Full time Student (circle response) YES NO

6. Number of Semester Hours Currently Enrolled In: _____

7. Number of Documented Clinical Hours _____

8. Name of Sponsoring Athletic Trainer: _____ .

9. Statement: I, _____ do hereby attest that I am a
(type or print full legal name)

Student Member of the MATA and that all the above statements are true and made without the intention of defrauding or obtaining this scholarship under false pretenses. Should any of the above statements be found to be false, I knowingly forfeit any opportunity to receive scholarship funds from the Mississippi Athletic Trainers Association OR shall return all monies owed to the Mississippi Athletic Trainers Association.

Signature of applicant date

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____ 20 ____ .

Notary Public

My commission expires

(Seal)

