



# The Young American Award

Council Award Application Deadline: December 1 (student age 15 through 25)

National Award Application Deadline: January 2 (student attending college through age 25)

For Application: Go to [www.learningforlife.org/exploring](http://www.learningforlife.org/exploring) (click scholarships on red sidebar)

# The Young American Award

## Background

First presented in 1968, the award is given to students who have achieved exceptional excellence to highlight publicly the importance of their achievements and service to their community, state and nation. Nominees may or may not be youth participants in Learning for Life or youth members of the Boy Scouts of America.

## Council Selection Procedure

The local council can give as many as they choose of the council-level Young American Award plaques, No. 17668 (student age 15 through 25).

Local council responsibility is:

- ∞ See that appropriate council units and other local community youth-serving organizations receive applications.
- ∞ Review the applications and select council recipient(s). Notify all nominees of the decision by mail. Order the council-level Young American Award Plaque, No. 17668, from the Supply Group for presentation at an appropriate council ceremony.
- ∞ Through proper public relations, focus attention on the council-level recipient(s) and their accomplishments.
- ∞ The council then submits their best national award nominee(s) (student attending college through age 25). The national-level award consists of a ribbon medallion and an unrestricted cash award of \$7,500.

## How to Apply

Applications are sent to the local council office. Nominations can be made by Boy Scout troops, Explorer posts, Venturing crews, Learning for Life groups, individuals, and other community youth-serving organizations that share the same program objectives. Since applications are not carried over or returned, original documents of personal value should not be included with the application. Previously submitted applications can be updated and resubmitted through the local council office through age 25.

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## Student Qualifications

- ∞ Council Award—student age 15 through 25.
- ∞ National Award—student attending college through age 25.
- ∞ Accomplishments—have achieved outstanding accomplishments in the fields of art, athletics, business, community service, education, government, humanities, literature, math, music, religion, and science.
- ∞ Service—have been involved in service in their community, state, or country that adds to the quality of life.
- ∞ Scholars—have maintained an above-average scholastic grade point average. College freshmen provide high school transcript. College sophomores to graduate student provide college transcript.
- ∞ Recommendations—provide with the application three to six letters of recommendation from your troop, post, crew, group, school, teacher, counselor, employer, minister, business leader, civic leader, or other community leaders.

## National Award Application Deadline: January 2

To: National Young American Award  
Learning for Life (S210)  
1325 West Walnut Hill Lane  
P.O. Box 152079  
Irving, TX 75015-2079  
Fax: 972-580-2137

(Faxed applications are acceptable, then mail the originals postmarked by January 2.

# Young American Award Application

**Applicant please check award level(s) applying:** Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Council-level award application (student age 15 through 25)

\_\_\_ National-level award application (student attending college through age 25)

(Please Print and Provide Complete Information)

**Nomination of** (student full name) \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Address** \_\_\_\_\_ P.O. Box \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Home E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's name \_\_\_\_\_ Day Telephone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's name \_\_\_\_\_ Day Telephone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**College Address** \_\_\_\_\_ P.O. Box \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Cell ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

College Residence Telephone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominee's Personal Record** (attach additional sheets as needed.)

**Organizations.** List all organizations that the nominee was a member of during high school and college and involved in service that adds to the quality of life. Indicate those organizations in which the nominee is now active with an asterisk (\*).

**Leadership.** List all leadership positions that the nominee has ever held during high school and college. Indicate those positions now held with an asterisk (\*).

**Recognitions.** List important awards and recognitions received by the nominee, the organizations that presented them, and the year they were received.

<u>Name of Recognition</u>	<u>Presenting Organization</u>	<u>Year Received</u>
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**Statement of Accomplishments** (attach additional sheets as needed):

Describe the nominee's outstanding accomplishments in the fields of: art; athletics; business; community service; education; government; humanities; literature; math; music; religion; and science.

**Career Plans** (statement of nominee's present career plans):**High School:** \_\_\_ Freshman \_\_\_ Sophomore \_\_\_ Junior \_\_\_ Senior (Provide high school transcript)

High School Name \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Point Average \_\_\_\_\_ Class Rank \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Graduating Class Year \_\_\_\_\_

**College:** \_\_\_ Freshman \_\_\_ Sophomore \_\_\_ Junior \_\_\_ Senior \_\_\_ Graduate School

(College freshmen provide high school transcript.) (College sophomores to graduate student provide college transcript.)

College Name \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Point Average \_\_\_\_\_ Class Rank \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Graduating Class Year \_\_\_\_\_

**Recommendations**

Provide with the application three to six letters of recommendation from your troop, post, crew, group, school, teacher, counselor, employer, minister, business leader, civic leader, or other community leaders.

**Nominating Organization's Name** \_\_\_\_\_

By (name) \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ P.O. Box \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Day Telephone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Day E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Evening Telephone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Evening E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Submit Application to Local Council Office No Later than December 1.** For local council office address and telephone: Go to [www.learningforlife.org](http://www.learningforlife.org), then scroll down and enter your five-digit ZIP code and click on SEARCH.

**Local Council Office Approval**

Council No. \_\_\_\_\_ Council Headquarters City \_\_\_\_\_

Council Approval Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Day Telephone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Day E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Deadline for National Award Applications received by the national office is January 2.