

513 Education Committee

The AANR-Florida shall make available annually up to two (2) scholarships of \$1,500.00 each. If, in the sole discretion of the Committee or the Board, there is an insufficient number of applicants or the applicants are not suitably qualified, no award may be given.

A. Purposes:

1. To encourage teenagers to stay active in their clubs. While students of any age are eligible for scholarships, the scoring mechanism shall favor the younger student.
2. To also support advanced education and research that will benefit the nudist community. While undergraduates may use scholarship funds to pursue any field, graduate students must explain the contribution their continued studies will make.
3. To distinguish and reward clear thinking and expression concerning nudism. Therefore, there shall be an essay component in the competition.
4. To assist needy students, while being fair to the less needy. Need will be taken into consideration only if the student so chooses.

B. Eligibility:

1. By the time awards are announced, the student must be accepted or enrolled in at least half-time study in a degree-seeking program at any accredited two year or four year college.
2. The student must have a grade point average of 2.5 or a SAT score of 1000 or an ACT score of 20.
3. Only students who have been practicing nudists during the twenty (20) months before the award will be considered (mid-October deadline). Documented activity outside an AANR-Florida club is acceptable. Parents' activity will not be taken into consideration.
4. The student must be a dues-paying member of AANR-Florida or an AANR student member also holding membership in AANR-Florida during the twelve (12) months before the award (late June deadline). Family membership can be counted until age eighteen (18).
5. Successful and unsuccessful applicants may reapply in following years.

C. Procedure:

1. The scholarship committee shall maintain a pool of possible essay questions to which any AANR-Florida member may contribute. The committee shall select and announce the current year's topic before March 1st. Suggested essay length: 1,000 to 1,500 words.
2. Students should request a photocopy of the club's scholarship packet. If unavailable, the student may request a copy from the education committee.

3. The student is responsible for seeing that each of the following documents arrives by separate mail on or before May 1st, addressed to:

American Association for Nude Recreation-Florida Region, Inc.

4414 Morristown Road Jay, FL 32565

- Application and essay from student
- Original transcript(s) from school officials
- Recommendation from a teacher
- Activity report from any AANR-Florida club officer or nudist leader
- Any other documents needed for special categories described below

Giving each of the above people a stamped, addressed envelope is recommended. See Appendix for appropriate forms.)

4. Judges will, without consultation, score each applicant on the evaluation form (See AANR-Florida Scholarship Evaluation Form in Appendix) and return the form to the chairperson for averaging. If finalists are separated by three (3) points or less, it shall be considered a tie, to be broken by personal interview at the annual convention.
5. The committee may grant one (1) or no scholarships if they judge that worthy applicants are lacking.
6. Winners will be announced at the AANR-Florida annual convention. The committee will also keep a list of worthy runners up.
7. Each winner may choose between a prompt check made out to the college or a check to the student after presentation of an official receipt showing that tuition has been paid.
8. If a winner fails to enroll at least half-time in the fall, that award will go to the next person on the runners-up list.

D. Special Categories

1. Students with high need:

A student wishing to have need taken into consideration should fill out the proper form (See Need Consideration Form in Appendix), enclosing it and the verifying tax returns as part of the scholarship application.

2. Graduate students:

Applicants pursuing advanced degrees beyond the bachelors must demonstrate the contribution their studies will make to the nudist community. Normally this means submitting a detailed research proposal but could include such diverse plans as an art student preparing an exhibit of nude paintings or a law student making a special study of nudist related law. Innovative approaches from any field are encouraged. The expected grade point average on graduate course work in most programs is 3.2.

3. Students with children:

Older students with school age children kept actively involved in nudism are fulfilling the first purpose of this scholarship program and may request to be scored the same as a twenty-five (25) year old.