

## NORTHERN VIRGINIA SWIMMING LEAGUE 2014 Scholarship Application Information

Scholarships are awarded each year by the Northern Virginia Swimming League to assist NVSL graduates defray a portion of their continuing education expenses. This year the NVSL will award scholarships to graduating high school swimmers and/or divers\* to be used at the school of their choice. Swimmers/Divers who have accepted swim/dive scholarships to a Division I or Division II school are, as a general rule, ineligible for an NVSL scholarship according to NCAA guidelines\*\*.

### Criteria for the selection process includes:

1. Swim/Dive Team Commitment and Leadership
2. School and Community Involvement
3. NVSL Scholarship Essay

### Application Process

1. Applicants must fill out the Personal Information and Personal Data Sheets. The personal data sheet should be typed and not exceed 2 pages.
2. Attach no more than *three letters* of recommendation prepared by someone who knows the swimmer/diver (for example a team representative; coach, school counselor, etc.). The letters should be formatted as follows:
  - a. typewritten
  - b. 8 1/2 x 11" paper
  - c. each letter may not exceed 1 page
  - d. the recommendation should indicate how the applicant has made a difference to his/her NVSL team while upholding the NVSL philosophy.
  - e. letters must be included with the scholarship application (do not submit separately)
3. Applicant must include a written essay on the NVSL Scholarship topic titled:  
*"What the NVSL Has Meant to Me"*
  - a. Essay must be on 8 1/2 x 11" paper
  - b. Essay must not exceed 1 page
4. Applicants are to submit the application packet (Personal Information Sheet, Personal Data Sheet, Scholarship Essay, and Letters of Recommendation) to the Scholarship Committee either by e-mail or hand-delivering or mailing to the address below.
5. **Applications are due no later than 6:00 p.m. on Friday, June 27, 2014.**
6. An application packet submitted by email is to be sent to: [nvslscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:nvslscholarship@gmail.com) (please use the subject line: NVSL Scholarship Application)
7. Application packets hand-delivered or mailed are to be submitted to:  
NVSL Scholarship Committee  
c/o Rick Healy  
3448 Launcelot Way  
Annandale, VA 22003

Scholarship application materials will be posted on the NVSL website in the Documents Center. Scholarships will be presented at the All-Star Relays on July 16, 2014.

\* If this is the final year of NVSL eligibility for the swimmer/diver, but for some reason he/she has not graduated from high school, the individual is eligible to compete for the NVSL scholarship.

\*\* The applicant should contact his/her college or university team to determine eligibility to accept the NVSL scholarship prior to applying for the scholarship.