

JUNE NELSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP



21st Annual Scholarship Competition Win a \$1,200 Scholarship

Application Deadline March 19, 2012

The Association of Alaska School Boards is proud to announce its 21st Annual Scholarship Award Competition. The June Nelson Memorial Scholarship is named in honor of the late June Nelson, longtime school board member from Kotzebue. June contributed much to the cause of education, and will be remembered for her outstanding service on behalf of Alaska's children.



This 2011–2012 school year, AASB will award ten graduating seniors each with a \$1,200 scholarship to apply toward their post-secondary education. The scholarship may be applied toward the student's choice of a business, trade, or a college institution.

Ten Winners

The Association of Alaska School Boards is pleased to announce its 21st Annual June Nelson Memorial Scholarship Award. **Ten \$1,200 scholarships will be awarded this year.**

Application

The student shall submit the following:

- AASB application form, located at www.aasb.org/content/jnms2012.
- Copy of high school transcript with cumulative GPA.
- Acceptance letter from a business, trade or college institution. (If you haven't been formally accepted, you may send your application package to AASB without the acceptance letter, but don't forget to send or fax it ASAP or by March 23, 2012.)
- Response to the essay question up to 750 words in length.
- Two (2) letters of recommendation (one from a community member and one from teacher).
- SAT or ACT Scores.
- Completed student involvement form.

Be a winner!

Application packets are available at www.aasb.org/content/jnms2012, or call AASB (907) 463-1660.

Essay Topic

What would you change in your high school curriculum to better meet your needs as a student today and in the future? How would your proposals affect you, other students and the educational system in your community?

Good Luck!

Return application materials with essay to:
June Nelson Memorial Scholarship/
Association of Alaska School Boards
1111 West 9th Street, Juneau, AK 99801

phone (907) 463-1660
fax (907) 586-2995
email aasb@aasb.org
web <http://www.aasb.org>

Qualifications

- The student must be graduating this 2011-2012 school year.
- The student must be accepted as a full-time student by either a business, trade or college institution.
- Only students graduating from AASB's member school districts will be considered for the scholarship award.

Scholarship Information

The winners of the June Nelson Memorial Scholarship Awards will be announced March 27, 2012.

Recipients will receive the scholarship in two parts. The first payment of \$600 will be awarded upon high school graduation. The second payment of \$600 will be awarded if a 2.5 GPA is maintained during the first semester at a higher education institution and the student is enrolled in the second semester. The recipient is responsible for notifying AASB that he/she has enrolled for the second term and shall provide a copy of his or her grade report.

The June Nelson Memorial Scholarship is funded by individual contributions of school board members and administrators from across the state.

SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

June Nelson Memorial Scholarship 21st Annual Scholarship Competition

1. **Ten \$1200 AASB Scholarships** will be awarded this 2011-2012 school year. The scholarship funds will be made available in two parts: the first payment of \$600 will be awarded at graduation and the second payment will be awarded upon meeting the criteria outlined in section below.
 - a. Each recipient will receive \$600 at graduation and the second payment of \$600 will be awarded if a 2.5 GPA is maintained at the post-secondary institution during the first semester and the student is enrolled in the second semester.
 - b. Each recipient is responsible for notifying AASB that he/she has enrolled for the second term and shall provide a copy of grade report.
2. **Qualifications**
 - a. The student must be graduating this 2011-2012 school year.
 - b. The student must be accepted as a full-time student by either a business/trade/college institution.
 - c. Only students graduating from AASB's member school districts will be considered for the scholarship award.
3. **Application**

The student shall submit the following to AASB:

 - a. Application form.
 - b. Copy of high school transcript with cumulative GPA.
 - c. Acceptance letter from a business/trade/college institution. (Acceptance letters will be accepted until March 19, 2012)
 - d. Response to essay question (up to 750 words in length)
 - e. List involvement in Community Service/Cultural Activities, List Student Leadership, and/or Student Activities on form provided.
 - f. Provide two letters of recommendation, one from a community member and one from a teacher.
 - g. Provide ACT or SAT scores.

Six Trait Writing Rubric

Readers for the scholarship essay will use the Six Trait Writing Rubric. This rubric identifies and evaluates six traits, or characteristics, of effective writing on a six point scale, with 6 the highest score and 1 the lowest. The rubric is designed to provide a consistent scoring method based on recognized characteristics of effective writing.

Descriptions of the Traits

- *Ideas/Content*: This trait addresses the writer's theme along with the supporting details that develop and enrich that theme. Ideas should be clear, complete, and well developed.
- *Organization*: This trait addresses the structure of a piece of writing including the thread of central meaning and the patterns that hold the piece together. A well-thought out order of ideas should be apparent with a consciously planned opening and closing.
- *Voice*: The type of voice will vary according to the purpose and type of piece, but it should be appropriately formal or casual, distant or intimate, depending on the audience and purpose.
- *Word Choice*: This trait reflects the writer's use of specific words and phrases to convey the intended message in an interesting, precise, and natural way appropriate to audience and purpose.
- *Sentence Fluency*: This trait addresses the rhythm and flow of language. Sentence structure should be strong and varied.
- *Conventions*: This trait addresses the mechanics of writing, spelling, capitalization, punctuation, and paragraph breaks. It also includes proper format.

An average of 6 or 5: Exceeds the Expectation
An average of 4: Meets the Expectation
An average of 3: Approaches the Expectation
An average of 2 or 1: Falls Far Below the Expectation

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phone (907) 463-1660 : fax (907) 586-2995 : email aasb@aasb.org : web <http://www.aasb.org>

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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Name (last) (first) (middle)

Address

Telephone

Date of Birth

Applicant's High School

School Address

School District

Parent or Guardian

Grade point average (GPA): (Please attach copy of current high school transcript)

Date

Signature of Applicant

Date

Signature of Principal/Counselor

Please submit the following with your scholarship application:

1. Application form
2. Respond to essay question, essay may be up to 750 words in length
3. List involvement in Community Service, Cultural Activities, Student Leadership, and/or Student Activities
4. Provide two letters of recommendation, one from a community member and one from a teacher
5. Copy of high school transcript with cumulative GPA
6. Provide ACT or SAT scores
7. Acceptance letter from a business/trade/college institution

Note: Complete application form, using additional white paper if required. Do not use special presentation folders.

The scholarship package must be postmarked by or on March 19, 2012.

Don't forget, if possible, ask an adult to read through your essay before sending

ESSAY TOPIC

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What would you change in your high school curriculum to better meet your needs as a student today and in the future? How would your proposals affect you, other students and the educational system in your community?

(Please write an essay of up to 750 words using 1.5 spacing, and use additional white paper if required.)

STUDENT INVOLVEMENT ACTIVITIES

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NAME:

Student Leadership						
Organization/Activity	9	10	11	12	Position/Hours	Duties/Activities/Achievements

Student Activities						
Organization/Activity	9	10	11	12	Position/Hours	Duties/Activities/Achievements

Cultural Activities						
Organization/Activity	9	10	11	12	Position/Hours	Duties/Activities/Achievements

Community Service						
Organization/Activity	9	10	11	12	Position/Hours	Duties/Activities/Achievements