

# NORTHERN VIRGINIA SWIMMING LEAGUE

## 2018 Scholarship Information and Application

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:

- Swim/Dive Team Commitment and Leadership
- School and Community Involvement
- 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 (i.e., team representative, coach, school counselor, etc.). The letters should be formatted as follows:
  - typewritten
  - 8 1/2 x 11" page format
  - each letter may not exceed 1 page
  - the recommendation should indicate how the applicant has made a difference to his/her NVSL team while upholding the NVSL philosophy
  - 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 Life Lessons Swimming/Diving in the NVSL has Taught Me”***

- Essay must be in 8 1/2" x 11" page format
  - Essay must not exceed 1 page
  - 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-delivered or mailed to the address below.
4. **Applications are due no later than 6:00 p.m. on Friday, June 29, 2018.**
  5. 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)
  6. Application packets hand-delivered or mailed are to be submitted to:

NVSL Scholarship Committee c/o Jack and Karen Schaeffer  
3633 Eagle Rock Court  
Woodbridge, VA 22192

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 18, 2018.

\* 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. See the NVSL handbook for eligibility criteria.

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## Personal Information

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address:

Name of Parent(s) / Guardian(s): \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Swim/Dive Team Representative: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

NVSL Team(s) Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle one:      **SWIM**      **DIVE**

Number of Years: \_\_\_\_\_ Swim      \_\_\_\_\_ Dive

High School Attended: \_\_\_\_\_

Plans after High School:

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## Personal Data Sheet

*Name of Applicant:* \_\_\_\_\_

**NVSL Participation:** Please tell the scholarship committee about your years of swimming and/or diving in the NVSL. You may include any awards that you have received.

**High School Activities:** Give a summary of the activities that you participated in while in high school. Please indicate time spent and levels of responsibility.

Please tell the Scholarship Committee why you are the most qualified candidate to receive one of the NVSL Scholarships.