



FARMERS

2009

CIF / FARMERS SCHOLAR-ATHLETE OF THE YEAR APPLICATION PACKET

CIF State Office

1320 Harbor Bay Pkwy, # 140, Alameda, CA 94502

510/521-4447

QUALIFICATIONS -- College-bound high school seniors whose academic and athletic careers have been truly exemplary and whose personal standards (i.e., integrity, honesty, etc.) and accomplishments are a positive model for others.

Students must:

1. Possess no less than an **unweighted** cumulative (grades 9-12) grade point average of **3.50**;
2. Have demonstrated **superior athletic ability** in **at least two years of varsity play within California** (must be participating in athletics as a senior); and
3. Most of all, have portrayed themselves as athletes of character displaying trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, community service and citizenship.

APPLICATION – This application will be considered for both the State and Section awards.

Each application **must** be accompanied by:

- ✓ Student Application Forms (3), **including signed verification of GPA by counselor or school site records clerk. Picture is optional.**
- ✓ Letters of recommendation from principal or counselor and athletic director, as well as sportsmanship statement signed by the coach.
- ✓ Most recent transcript of grades.
- ✓ Student essay (see below).

STUDENT ESSAY -- To give us an idea of how well the students express themselves, we are asking that they write an essay about how they display character in their athletic and academic efforts. An applicant may wish to include: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship. The essay should be written in the student's own words, with no outside help or influence. A maximum length of 500 words is recommended. The applicants might want to consider a few of the following concepts while formulating their thoughts:

- ◆ Examples of meaningful behavior in your high school experience;
- ◆ Lessons learned about the importance of character in **your** life;
- ◆ Opportunities coaches, cheerleaders, athletes and fans have to promote character in interscholastic athletics.

Remember, the aforementioned are just suggestions. Students are encouraged to express themselves on what they value most about their sportsmanship experience and how it will affect their lives.

DEADLINES -- Students should deliver the completed applications to their counselor or principal by January 26, 2009, for review. It is the school's responsibility to notify students as to whether their packets were forwarded to the CIF State Office for further consideration. **APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2009. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.**

JUDGING -- Judging of applications will be conducted by committees selected by the CIF. Winners will be notified mid-May.

AWARDS

☆The two State winners – 1 boy and 1 girl -- will each receive a **\$5,000** scholarship.

☆The 20 Section winners – 1 boy and 1 girl each per CIF Section – will receive a **\$2,000** scholarship.

Actual presentation of all scholarship awards will be made at an event to be scheduled in the Spring. Recipients *must* be present at this event.

Every student meeting the requirements of the application and sending a completed application will receive a certificate suitable for framing.

NOTE: Be certain to use the checklist provided on student application to assure that all contents are included in packet when returned to the CIF State Office **postmarked no later than Friday, February 27, 2009.** Mail to:

**CIF State Office
Attn: CIF/FARMERS Scholar-Athlete of the Year
1320 Harbor Bay Parkway, Suite 140
Alameda, CA 94502**



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TO BE COMPLETED BY:
Student

STUDENT APPLICATION

Cumulative GPA (grades 9-12)	ACT	or	SAT	Scores
Varsity Play				
(3.50 unweighted minimum)				
Weighted _____ Class Rank _____	Total _____		Total _____	Years _____
Unweighted _____ Class Size _____				

(Counselor/Records Clerk Signature of Verification)

Applicant _____

High School _____ Principal _____

School Address _____

City _____ Zip _____ School Telephone () _____

CIF Section _____

I will attend (name of college or university) _____

I have been accepted to (name of colleges or universities) _____

Please use checklist. All contents are to be returned in one envelope.

1. _____ Student Application (3 pages)
2. _____ Student Essay
3. _____ Recommendations
 - _____ Principal or Academic Counselor
 - _____ Athletic Director
 - _____ Coach signature
 - _____ Counselor or Record Clerk signature
4. _____ Transcript of Grades
5. _____ Return to Principal or Counselor (1/26/2009)
6. _____ Mail (**postmarked by 2/27/2009**) to:

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BY:

SCHOLAR-ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

Student

STUDENT APPLICATION

Please evaluate the prerequisites and qualifications for this award on the previous pages. If you meet the requirements, carefully complete this application.

The entire packet, including formal application, recommendations, transcript of grades, and your essay must be returned to your counselor or principal by **JANUARY 26, 2009**. Incomplete applications and those postmarked after **FEBRUARY 27, 2009**, **will not** be considered.

Applicant _____ Home Phone () _____

Home Address _____ Age _____

City _____ Zip _____ Gender _____

Primary Sport _____

Secondary Sport _____

I intend to play (name sport) _____ on the college level.

Community Involvement (indicate length of time of the service) _____

School Activities _____

Awards (non-sports) _____

National Merit _____

Career Interest(s) _____

College Major(s) _____

IF SPACE PROVIDED IS NOT ADEQUATE, ATTACH ADDITIONAL PAGES



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Student

STUDENT APPLICATION

Please list below the sports in which you participated, the level (Frosh/Soph, JV, Varsity) of participation in each sport, and any athletic awards or honors received. **BE SPECIFIC; IDENTIFY AWARDS BY LEAGUE, SECTION, STATE, ETC.**

<u>NAME OF SPORT</u>	<u>LEVEL</u>	<u>AWARDS/HONORS RECEIVED (INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM)</u>
	Freshman Year	
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
	Sophomore Year	
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
	Junior Year	
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
	Senior Year	
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

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TO BE COMPLETED BY:
Principal or Counselor

STUDENT RECOMMENDATION

Student's Name _____

The above-named student is applying for the CIF/FARMERS Scholar-Athlete of the Year. To expedite selection of the award winners to be selected from applicants throughout the state of California, we are requesting that you give us your personal thoughts about the applicant.

Would you please take a few moments to describe the candidate's personal attributes -- those qualities, **in addition to the academic and athletic**, which make him/her special? Particularly emphasize the character of the applicant – trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship.

Please use a separate sheet of paper for your remarks and include the date and your signature.

Please keep in mind that we are seeking those scholar-athletes who are truly superior individuals; do not eliminate from consideration those students who are recipients of other awards, either academic or athletic.

Thank you for your cooperation.

*THE ORIGINAL LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION MUST BE RETURNED TO THE CIF STATE OFFICE WITH THE **TOTAL APPLICATION PACKET** POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN **FEBRUARY 27, 2009**. APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE RETURNED.*



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TO BE COMPLETED BY:
Athletic Director

STUDENT RECOMMENDATION

Student's Name _____

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TO BE COMPLETED BY:
Coach

STUDENT RECOMMENDATION

Student's Name _____

The above-named student is applying for the CIF/FARMERS Scholar-Athlete of the Year. To expedite selection of the award winners to be selected from applicants throughout the state of California, we are requesting that you carefully consider and sign this recommendation.

"I certify that _____
demonstrates integrity, fair play, and good sportsmanship both on and
off the playing field; that he/she is an honest individual, well thought
of by others, and is clearly a superior athletic performer."

Signature, Coach

Date

If the applicant possesses special personal qualities of which we should be aware, please tell us about them on a separate sheet of paper.

THIS COMPLETED FORM (AND LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION, IF DESIRED) MUST BE RETURNED TO THE CIF STATE OFFICE WITH THE TOTAL APPLICATION PACKET POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 27, 2009.