

**ALABAMA MINISTRY NETWORK
of the
ASSEMBLIES OF GOD
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
POLICY MANUAL**

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I. Overview of the Alabama Ministry Network of the Assemblies of God Scholarship Program (AMNSP)

The Alabama Ministry Network of the Assemblies of God Scholarship Program gives financial assistance to Assemblies of God students who are going into ministry, to attend endorsed Assemblies of God colleges, universities, graduate schools. The AMNSP is open to high school seniors and college or seminary students who are attending Assemblies of God churches. In order to receive scholarship money, recipients must attend an endorsed Assemblies of God educational institution the Fall immediately following high school graduation, or as they advance their education, or be returning to an endorsed school if presently attending.

The AMNSP is administered by the AMNSP Committee, which is comprised of the Alabama Network Superintendent, Network Secretary-Treasurer, Network Youth Director, five regional representatives, and two laypersons who are educators.

Recipients are awarded scholarships to the endorsed Assemblies of God college, university, graduate school, or institute of their choice as follows: Superintendent's Scholarship \$5,000.00; Pastor's Dependent Scholarship \$4,000.00; Church Ministry Scholarship \$3,000.00; Distance Learning (Degree program only) \$1,000.00.

Recipients may qualify for more than one category but may receive only one scholarship per year. Scholarships are awarded annually, with half of the award sent to the institution each semester. If awarded a scholarship, students who wish to receive the scholarship again in subsequent years must complete the shorter Continuation Application, including all required documentation, during the annual application period.

II. Purpose of the AMNSP

A. For the Students.

1. The AMNSP encourages A/G students to consider attending an A/G college, university, graduate school, or institute.
2. The AMNSP provides financial assistance to recipients.

B. For the Educational Institution.

1. The AMNSP provides an excellent means of publicity for A/G colleges, universities, graduate schools, and institute. The Program is advertised in The Alabama Messenger to give it wide circulation among prospective A/G college students and parents. Pastors and youth pastors are encouraged to get their youth and students involved in the AMNSP.

C. For the Church.

1. The AMNSP provides an opportunity for the Alabama churches to demonstrate a concern for and interest in the youth and students of the A/G.
2. The AMNSP exists as a vehicle for effectively strengthening the church by supporting the training of its most outstanding students as its future leaders.

III. Funding the AMNSP

- A. The Alabama Ministry Network contributes 5% of minister's tithe from the general fund to the scholarship account.
- B. Churches, individuals, businesses, etc. are encouraged to contribute.
- C. Grants are sought.
- D. Interest income from the endowment portion of the Scholarship Fund.

IV. Promotion of the AMNSP

- A. The announcement of available applications will be published in the November-December or January-February issue of The Alabama Messenger.
- B. Emails will be sent to all Alabama Assemblies of God churches and ministers.
- C. The Alabama Network office social media platforms will be used.

V. Eligibility of Applicants

- A. High school seniors or college or seminary students attending an Assemblies of God church and students living abroad as dependents of Assemblies of God appointed missionaries or chaplains will be eligible for the scholarship.
- B. Applicants should have a good academic record, with a minimum of a 2.5 GPA. (preferably be ranked in top 20 percent of the class).
- C. Applicants should be active in school and community functions and especially in church and youth group activities.
- D. The financial status of the student and family will be a factor in the evaluation.
- E. Only applicants planning to attend an endorsed A/G college, university, graduate school, or institute will be considered for district scholarships.
- F. Recipients may receive a maximum of 8 semesters (4 years) of AMNSP scholarship funds after which they will no longer be eligible.

VI. Application Procedures

A. Handling

1. The opening of each year's application period will be promoted as above.
2. Applications will be accepted by the Alabama Network beginning December 1 or as agreed upon and published each year by the AMNCP Committee.
3. Completed applications must be mailed/emailed to the Network office by February 14 (or as published annually) with all supporting documents [references from pastor and high school principal or counselor or college professor or advisor, and transcripts(s)].

B. Application Form

1. The AMNSP application form is designed to solicit information relative to the applicant's scholastic performance (academic and extracurricular), employment record, Christian life, and Christian service (leadership in Sunday School, youth group, small groups, discipleship, choir, children's church, etc., and participation in Fine Arts Festival, Bible Quiz, AIM, youth camps, etc.)
2. The AMNSP application form will be reviewed by the AMNSP Committee.
3. Incomplete or late applications will not be eligible for evaluation.
4. References completed by family members will be unacceptable.
5. The Initial Application form is to be completed by all first-time applicants. If awarded a scholarship, students who wish to receive the scholarship in subsequent years must complete the shorter Continuation Application, including all required documentation.

VII. Selection Process

- A. The AMNSP Committee will function as the Selection Committee for the awarding of the scholarships.
- B. The AMNSP Committee will choose recipients no later than March 31 or as agreed upon and published each year.

VIII. Notification Process

- A. The AMNSP Committee shall be responsible for notifying scholarship recipients, their pastors, and high school guidance counselors and/or principals or college office.

- *NOTE: All time frames mentioned in this manual are subject to change annually. Please verify all dates and time frames using the current year's application forms and district website information at adca.org.*