

## **SUPPLEMENT TO THE JAA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FOR APPLICANTS WHO WILL PARTICIPATE IN COLLEGIATE ATHLETICS**

**Notice:** In some circumstances receipt of a JAA scholarship could potentially affect your NCAA eligibility or your college's ability to award financial aid to athletes on your college team. It is important that you read this document and take the steps indicated. You have the ultimate responsibility for preserving your and your team's eligibility under NCAA guidelines.

### **First, determine if this applies to you.**

1. Will you play Division I or Division II athletics in college?
2. Have you received an **athletic** scholarship from your college?
3. Have you signed a "Letter of Intent"?
4. Were you recruited by your college? Did you have an "official visit"?

If you answered 'yes' to one or more of the above questions, you should take the steps outlined in this supplement. Note that even if you did not receive an athletic scholarship from your college, it is possible that receipt of a JAA scholarship could affect your eligibility. (See paragraph 2 below). If you answered 'no' to all of the above questions, you do not need to proceed.

**Background:** In order to receive a JAA scholarship, a graduating senior must have participated in athletics at Handley. Therefore, JAA scholarships are subject to **NCAA Bylaw 15.2.6.4: Athletics Participation as a Major Criterion**. Under Bylaw 15.2.6.4, the maximum athletic financial aid which a student-athlete may receive in an academic year (including athletic scholarships from the college as well as JAA scholarships and other aid in which "athletics participation is a major criterion") cannot exceed the value of a full grant-in-aid at that college.\* In addition, if the student-athlete was recruited by the college, the student is a "counter" and his/her aid is "countable" toward his college team's total amount of athletic financial aid.

\* (Usually, the value of a grant-in-aid includes the cost of tuition, fees, room and board.)

### **What does this mean to you?**

1. If your athletic scholarship amount from your college is a large amount, any additional athletic aid (such as a JAA scholarship) may result in your exceeding the value of a full grant-in-aid. This could affect your NCAA eligibility.
2. Also, your college team has a maximum amount of athletic aid that the athletes on the team may receive, combined. Your outside athletic aid (such as a JAA scholarship, if you were to receive one), would be counted in this total. If this caused your team's total to exceed the maximum amount, this could adversely affect your college's ability to award athletic aid to athletes on your team and it could affect your team's NCAA eligibility. Note that even if you did not receive an athletic scholarship from your college, a JAA scholarship could be counted in your team's total and could be a concern for your coach and your team in terms of NCAA eligibility and financial aid.

**What should you do?** If you decide to complete an application for a JAA scholarship, you should contact your coach or the college's Compliance Officer in the athletic department. Ask him or her the questions listed on the other side of this page and gather the information stated.

**Attach this supplement to your JAA Scholarship Application or contact Tommy Stine at (540) 974-7821, Scholarship Chairman, to make arrangements to get it to him as soon as possible.**

Your name and phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

College you will attend: \_\_\_\_\_

Division: I II III Sport you will play in college: \_\_\_\_\_

Head Coach and office phone no.: \_\_\_\_\_

Compliance Officer and office phone no.: \_\_\_\_\_

**Tell this to your coach or compliance officer:** *“I am considering applying for a scholarship from my high school’s athletic association. The association awards many scholarships each year to graduating student-athletes from my high school. Usually the awards are in the range of \$1,000 to \$2,000. A few awards may be higher. Participation in sports in high school is an eligibility requirement for these scholarships.”*

*If I were to receive one of these scholarships, would there be any problem for my eligibility?*

*Would this cause any problem for my college team’s maximum limit for athletic aid?”*

Response: \_\_\_\_\_

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Is there any additional information which the coach/compliance officer needs from the JAA?

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**Please read, indicate A or B, and sign:**

A. \_\_\_\_\_ I have checked with my college coach or compliance officer and I feel confident that receipt of a JAA scholarship for the 2021-2022 school year will **not** adversely affect my NCAA eligibility or my college team’s financial aid limit.

B. \_\_\_\_\_ I have checked with my college coach or compliance officer and I am concerned that receipt of a JAA scholarship for the 2021-2022 school year **will or may** adversely affect my NCAA eligibility or my college team’s financial aid limit. Therefore, I wish: (select 1 or 2)

1. \_\_\_\_\_ to withdraw my application for a JAA scholarship
2. \_\_\_\_\_ to apply conditionally for a JAA scholarship. Any JAA scholarship awarded to me would only be disbursed to my school upon my instruction that I am no longer competing in athletics in college or receiving athletic financial

aid. I understand I have up to five years to request disbursement of funds and, if not disbursed within that period of time, my scholarship would be forfeited.

I understand that completing this supplement is a part of the application process only and there is no assurance in doing so that I will be selected for a JAA scholarship.

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Date

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Student's Signature

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Parent's Signature