Mensa Scholarship Essay Competition

American Mensa Education and Research Foundation and the local chapter, Piedmont Area Mensa, offer scholarships based on 550-word essays about educational, career, and life goals.

These awards, ranging from $300 to $1000, are offered every year and do NOT require any Mensa connection. The Mensa Member Award Program gives five $1000 scholarships to Mensa members or their IRS dependents. Last year, three applicants won $500 each from the local group. One of these winners won an additional $300 from the national organization and another won an additional $1,000. None of these winners had any Mensa connection.

To enter either of these competitions, a person must plan to be in a degree program at an accredited U.S. college or university during the 2018-2019 school year. It is not necessary for the applicant to have already enrolled.

Application forms and contest rules available online:

www.mensafoundation.org/scholarships

Applicants should pay close attention to the rules and guidelines. Only essays which conform to these instructions are considered. A person may be eligible in more than one category. To increase the chance of winning, all applicable scholarships should be indicated. Essays must be submitted electronically by 11:59 PM Central Time, January 15, 2018, as indicated on the application.

For more information, contact Piedmont Area Mensa Scholarship Chairs Iuliana Watson (864-838-2028) or Mary Ann Cox (864-963-2335) or email scholarship@piedmontareamensa.org.

Please share this information with others who may be interested.