

VAN HORN HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, INC.
P.O. Box 520712; Independence, Missouri 64052



March 15, 2016

Dear 2016 Van Horn Senior,

Congratulations on your upcoming graduation from Van Horn High School, and for choosing to take the next step in your education by becoming a college student. By applying for the 2016 Van Horn Alumni Association Scholarship, you may be selected to receive this year's \$1,000.00 award, payable in two (2) \$500.00 installments (Fall 2016 and Spring 2017), with checks written directly to the college or university you will be attending.

In late 2009, with a stated mission to support the *Independence School District era* of Van Horn High School, while still celebrating its rich history, a group of Falcon alumni formed an Alumni Association, which now numbers over 500 members. Part of that support is to provide scholarship assistance to at least one graduating Van Horn senior each year. Since 2010, we have presented seven (7) \$1,000.00 cash awards to Van Horn graduates—the most recent to 2015 Van Horn graduate Katie Jones.

Here's how to apply:

- After receiving this packet from either your counselor or college resource officer, fill out Page 1 of the application completely (for the section titled, "Academic Information," you will need to visit your counselor to find out *both* your accumulative and Fall 2015 G.P.A.s—*these numbers will almost certainly differ*—as well as your class rank).
- For Page 2, answer the three (3) brief essay questions, giving *serious* thought to your answers before putting them on paper (in other words, don't "wing" it). If you feel you need more space, you may add additional sheets. Also, you may either type or *neatly* hand-write your responses. *Be sure to use complete sentences, as well as proper grammar, spelling, punctuation, and capitalization.*
- When finished, please return your completed application to Ms. Meyer *no later than the end of the school day on Friday, April 15.*

In late April, a selection committee composed of Alumni Association officers and other interested Association members, with the possible assistance of Van Horn counseling and college resource staff, will narrow the candidates to a list of finalists (who might be asked by us for an interview). Our scholarship winner, which will be announced at Van Horn's awards ceremony in May, will then be chosen from among the finalists.

Again, congratulations on soon joining the thousands of Van Horn Falcon graduates who have preceded you. Thank you in advance for applying for the 2016 Alumni Association Scholarship. Good luck, not only during this application process, but also as your future unfolds in the coming years.

Sincerely,

A. Jay Fisher, VH '75
President

Van Horn High School Alumni Association, Inc.

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