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Application Form

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The National Independent Automobile Dealers Association Foundation was founded in 2006 by the National Independent Automobile Dealers Association, a 70 year old trade association, to “improve the independent motor vehicle industry by informing and educating consumers of the general public and training individuals associated with our industry.”

Historically, the association’s scholarship program was the responsibility of the NIADA’s Auxiliary. Now, however, as an IRS approved 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, the Foundation has assumed the oversight of that scholarship program’s functions. Four regional scholarships are awarded annually at the National NIADA Convention in June. The regions and states are as indicated below.

**REGION II**: Kentucky, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, and Alabama.
**REGION III**: North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas.

The Foundation invites you as an eligible student to complete this application in pursuit of scholarship funds to be paid to the college of your choice in the Fall of 2018. Applications must be **POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN March 16, 2018 AND RECEIVED NO LATER THAN March 30, 2018.**

**Eligibility Criteria:**
You must
(1.) Be classified as a high school senior during the current 2017-18 school year and legally residing in one of the 4 regions indicated above.
(2.) Have maintained an outstanding academic achievement record as reflected by an official high school transcript; and
(3.) Demonstrate an aptitude for college work as measured by SAT or ACT scores.

**Application Process:**
Submit the completed application form with the required attachments in a **10 inch. x 13 inch envelope,** with adequate postage to:

Scholarship Selection Committee
NIADA Foundation
2521 Brown Blvd
Arlington, TX 76006

All information **MUST** be included with the original application. No additional information will be accepted at a later date.

Staff will review the applications for completeness and will forward them to the Scholarship Selection Committee within NIADA and at Northwood University in Midland, Michigan. They will be reviewed by region. One applicant will be selected from each of the four NIADA regions based on the merit of his/her scholarship application and will be notified by the Foundation office no later than mid-May 2018.
Scholarship Application Form
2017-2018

Please type or print legibly.

Region ____
Name (first, middle, last) ____________________________________________________________
Home Address _____________________________________________________________
City __________________________ State ____ Zip ____ County ______
Telephone __________________________ Fax __________________________
Email ___________________________
Name of Parents or Guardian _____________________________________________________
Address _________________________________________________________________
City __________________________ State ______ Zip ______
Name of High School __________________________________________________________
Address __________________________ City ___________ State ______ Zip ______
Dates of attendance and graduation _____________________________________________
Other high schools attended (names and addresses) ________________________________
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Please provide the following information. Additional pages may be attached as necessary.
Extracurricular activities, offices and accomplishments _____________________________
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Awards and Distinctions __________________________________________________________
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Car shopping has become increasingly digital in recent years. Changes include the ready availability of information online – including online reviews – and the introduction of the “car vending machine” through companies such as Carvana. How have these changes affected the auto industry? How do you see these trends impacting the industry in the future? What evidence is there to support your theory? Please conclude your essay by specifically sharing your interest in the automotive industry and the role you wish to play in it.

**ADDITIONAL REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS**

1. Official high school transcript
2. SAT or ACT Scores Report—may be included on the transcript.
3. Letter(s) of recommendation (no more than 5) from high school counselor, principal, teacher, employer, etc.

I, as the scholarship applicant, certify that the enclosed information is correct to the best of my knowledge. I hereby grant the National Independent Automobile Dealers Association Foundation permission to release this information, including the required attachments, to the Scholarship Selection Committee.

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Signature                     Date