TRIG-STAR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION RULES

ELIGIBLE STUDENTS
Applicants must be high school seniors, or college freshmen or sophomores, who have participated in the Trig-Star Contest at some point in their high school career, and who plan to enroll, or are already enrolled in a college degree program leading to a degree in surveying and mapping (the Land Surveying profession). The applicant does not have to have won at any level of the Trig-Star Contest, but must have participated in the contest at the high school level.

ELIGIBLE INSTITUTIONS
Eligible institutions include any public or private generally accredited college or university with a curriculum leading to either a two year Associate or a four year Bachelor degree with a land surveying major.

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIPS
The intent is to award one five thousand dollar ($5,000.00) scholarship each year to a student pursuing a secondary education with the intent to pursue a degree in surveying and mapping, and with a desire to become a licensed professional.

TIMING OF THE AWARD OF SCHOLARSHIP
The scholarship will not be issued until the student enrolls in the program. The scholarship will be sent to the recipient, split one half each for the first two semesters, or one third for the first three quarters. Prior to the NSPS Foundation sending payment to the recipient, the recipient must submit information and a payment request to the NSPS Foundation. The request must include: proof of enrollment in the approved program and taking classes leading to the selected degree, as well as grades from the previous term showing at least a 3.0 GPA if request is for second or third term, as appropriate.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES
Interested persons may apply by completing the application form available upon request from the NSPS Foundation. All materials must be received by June 30, 2018 in order to be considered for an award in the following academic school year. The completed application form must be accompanied by:
1. Indication of when the applicant competed in the Trig-Star contest.
2. High School transcript.
3. One letter of recommendation from a high school teacher or a past employer.
4. A one page, double spaced, typed essay from the applicant specifying:
   a.) Educational goals
   b.) Career goals
   c.) Why their qualifications justify them receiving the scholarship.
SELECTION
Applicants shall be ranked by the Trig-Star Scholarship Selection Committee according to their level of academic achievements, desire to pursue a career in surveying and mapping, and the quality and neatness of their essay. The rank order list shall be forwarded to the national Trig-Star Committee for awarding of a scholarship to the recipient. Alternate recipients may be selected in the event that the highest ranked recipient is unable, or declines, to accept the award.

AWARD NOTIFICATION
The Trig-Star Committee or designee will send to the top ranked recipient a notice of award in July of the contest year specifying the terms of the award. The recipient shall return the scholarship notice of award acknowledging the terms and accepting or declining the offer within 15 days. An offer not returned within the fifteen days shall be deemed as not accepted.

TIME PERIOD FOR ELIGIBILITY
The awards shall be for the period of one academic year.

DISBURSEMENTS
Upon verification of registration for full-time enrollment each term in a surveying and mapping curriculum, as outlined above, checks in the name of the recipient or school will be issued to the recipient or school in substantially equal disbursements for each academic term/semester.

PUBLICITY
Annually, the Trig-Star Scholarship Committee will provide notice of the Trig-Star scholarship program (including rules and application forms) with information regarding the Trig Star contest. When the recipient has accepted the scholarship, the committee can provide appropriate publicity to and on behalf of the NSPS Foundation, NSPS, state and local survey and mapping societies, surveying and mapping magazines and periodicals, and the recipient’s college. By applying for this scholarship, the recipient agrees to the release of their name, in association with an award.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT
National Society of Professional Surveyors
ATTN: Trig-Star Scholarship
5119 Pegasus Court, Suite Q
Frederick, MD 21704
Phone (240) 439-4615
Fax (240) 439-4952

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NSPS FOUNDATION TRIG-STAR SCHOLARSHIP FUND
DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: JUNE 30, 2020

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FOR HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

Type or clearly print in the spaces provided and return to:
National Society of Professional Surveyors
ATTN: Trig-Star Scholarship
5119 Pegasus Court, Suite Q
Frederick, MD 21704

Name First: ___________________ Middle: ___________________ Last: ___________________

Mailing Address: ________________________________________________________________

Phone Number: (____) _______ - _________ E-mail Address: ____________________________

High School and Location: _______________________________________________________

Years Attended: __________ Graduation Year: ___________ Class Rank: ________________

High School GPA: _______ SAT Verbal: _______ SAT Math: _______ ACT Composite: _______
(Enclose official transcripts of all high school classes to date)

Date of local Trig Star Contest Participation: __________________________________________

College or University program you are considering: ________________________________

Location: _______________________________________________________________________

What Degree do you expect to earn? _______________________________________________

Attach a one page double spaced typed essay about yourself specifying:
   A) Your educational goals
   B) Your career goals
   C) Why your qualifications justify you receiving this scholarship.

Attach your high school transcripts and a letter of recommendation from a high school teacher or guidance counselor. Feel free to include additional information regarding special honors or awards you have received, as well as any work experience you have.

CERTIFICATION
I certify that all information I have provided on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. If requested, I agree to give proof of the information on this form, my transcripts, and other information deemed necessary to determine award. I give permission for the selection committee to contact high school officials or employers for academic information or references. If selected to receive a scholarship, I give permission for a publicity release.
Signature of Applicant: ____________________________________________________________________ Date: _________
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FOR COLLEGE FRESHMAN AND SOPHOMORES

Type or clearly print in the spaces provided and return to:
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ATTN: Trig-Star Scholarship
5119 Pegasus Court, Suite Q
Frederick, MD 21704

Name First: _____________________ Middle: ____________________ Last: ________________________

Mailing Address: _______________________________________________________________________

Phone Number: (_____) _______ - _________ E-mail Address: ________________________________

College and Location _________________________________________________________________

What Degree do you expect to earn? ____________________________________________________

Date of local Trig Star Contest Participation:_____________________________________________

High School and Location: ______________________________________________________________

Years Attended (HS): __________________ Graduation Year: _______ Class Rank: _____________

Attach a one page double spaced typed essay about yourself specifying:
A) Your educational goals
B) Your career goals
C) Why your qualifications justify you receiving this scholarship.

Attach your college transcripts and a letter of recommendation from a college teacher or career advisor.
Feel free to include additional information regarding special honors or awards you have received, as well as any work experience you have.

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Signature of Applicant: ___________________________________________________________ Date: ________