

# **2023 IMAGE BUILDERS SCHOLARSHIP**

The Image Builders Scholarship was created by the NAIFA–Alabama (National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors of Alabama) Board of Directors to provide a higher education scholarship to an undergraduate student who demonstrates exceptional academic performance and/or significant financial need. Eligible students may not be receiving a full-tuition scholarship or waiver from another source.

The Image Builders Scholarship is intended to help propel the values and interests of NAIFA-Alabama by establishing a socially responsible medium which exists solely to compliment NAIFA-Alabama in promoting and advancing the aims and ideals of the Association and its members. NAIFA-Alabama is committed to protecting the integrity of the business of insurance and the best interests of the citizens of Alabama. It is our desire to serve our constituents by becoming involved in improving the educational welfare of this great state. It is in this spirit that the Board of Directors of NAIFA-Alabama has established the Image Builders Scholarship.

An advocate for insurance agents, financial advisors and consumers, NAIFA was founded on June 18, 1890, in Boston as the National Association of Life Underwriters (NALU). NAIFA-Alabama was established in 1937 as the Alabama Association of Life Underwriters and in June 2008 our name was changed to NAIFA-Alabama. The National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors (NAIFA) is a national nonprofit association representing the interests of more than 70,000 insurance and financial advisors nationwide through its federation of over 900 state and local associations. As the nation's largest financial services membership association, NAIFA plays a vital role in encouraging legislation and regulation at the federal and state levels to protect consumers and maintain a healthy and well-regulated marketplace. NAIFA also provides its members with education, training, and sales resources to help them maintain and grow their practices.

## **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

The following are eligibility requirements for qualifying an applicant for the Scholarship:

- 1. Applicant must be resident of the State of Alabama.
- 2. Applicant must be a graduating senior from a high school in Alabama.
- 3. Applicant must be accepted into an accredited college or university.
- 4. Grade Point Average must be 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale.
- 5. Recipient will be chosen by the Scholarship Committee, Confirmed by the Board of Directors.
- 6. Application package must be received no later than Friday, March 17, 2023 to be considered.
- 7. Checks will be made payable to the University in your name.



# **IMAGE BUILDERS SCHOLARSHIP** C/O NAIFA-ALABAMA

# **Scholarship Application for 2023** Due by March 17, 2023

I.	Personal Inform	nation:				
Appli	icant's Full Name:					
		Last	Fi	irst	Middle	
Birth	Date (mm/dd/yy)			Age:		
Perm	anent Address:					
		Street		City	State	Zip
Emai	l address:			Telephone numbers:	: ()	
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Name	e of parent(s) or guar	dian(s):				
	e of NAIFA member ed you (if applicable	`				
II. <i>Colle</i>	Educational Info ge/University Inform					
Name	e of school you will a	attend in the fall:				
Locat	tion of school:					
		City		State		
Degre	ee being pursued and Degree:	anticipated date of g		nticipated Graduation:		
Will	you be a full-time or	part-time student?	(Please check one	e) Full-time	Part-tim	e
High	School Information	:				
Name	e of school you attend	d:				
Locat	tion of school:					
		City		State		
Date	of High School Grad	uation:		Clas	s Rank:	

Number in Graduation Class:	GF	PA:	GPA scale:

#### **III. Educational References:**

List (3) three educational references (educators, counselors, academic advisors, etc.) and include a letter of recommendation from each.

1.	Name:	Phone:
	Address:	
	Relationship to applicant:	
2.	Name:	Phone:
	Address:	
	Relationship to applicant:	
3.	Name:	Phone:
	Address:	
	Relationship to applicant:	_

## **IV.** Essay Writing:

In an essay of 300-500 words, explain in detail your career interest and tell why you feel that you would be successful in your chosen field OR explain the importance of having a sound financial protection plan. Your essay must be typed and double spaced on 8 ½ X 11 inch paper. Put your name, address, telephone number and high school's name in the upper left-hand corner of the page.

### V. Application Package:

The following must be submitted with your application, references, and essay:

- Current copy of your official high school transcript
- Application package must be received no later March 17, 2023 to be considered.

#### **RETURN ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION TO:**

# Allison@naifa-alabama

## STATEMENT OF VERIFICATION/RELEASE AUTHORIZATION

I certify that the information I have provided is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. I authorize Image Builders Foundation to verify the information I have provided.

Signature:

#### AUTHORIZATION AND RELEASE

I hereby authorize all facilities, programs, educational bodies, investigative agencies and others named below:

#### School District Name

to release to NAIFA-Alabama, its employees, representatives, or authorized agents, for their purposes of investigation and consideration of my Image Builders Scholarship application, the following records and information:

All educational, school, social, vocational, disciplinary, and other personally identifiable records created or maintained by you in whatever media, whether received from third parties or originally prepared.

I further authorize NAIFA-Alabama and its selection committee to interview or discuss my educational records, performance and other circumstances with The Board of Directors, staff, employees, contractors, and other persons deemed necessary for purposes of considering my scholarship application.

A photocopy or facsimile of this authorization shall have the same force and effect as the original.

I understand that this authorization will remain in effect for one (1) year from the signature date entered below.

I understand that unless otherwise limited by state or federal regulation and except to the extent that action has been taken based on my consent, I may withdraw this consent at any time.

I understand that payment of any award will be paid directly to the educational institution on my behalf.

In the event I am the recipient on the Image Builders Scholarship, I hereby grant permission to allow NAIFA-Alabama in its sole discretion to publicize the award in whatever manner it deems appropriate.

Applicant Printed Name	Applicant Signature
Parent/Guardian Printed Name (if under 18)	Parent/Guardian Signature (if under 18)
Witness Printed Name	Witness Signature