

# NCHSAA Scholar-Athlete Essay Contest

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**Prompt: Being a Scholar-Athlete will translate to my future success because...**

## Contest Rules:

- Must be a student-athlete currently enrolled at an NCHSAA member school AND currently participating in at least (1) NCHSAA sanctioned sport.
- Entries must be no more than 400 words in length.
- Entire essay must be the student's own work – any essay with information copied from sources without use of proper citation will be disqualified.
- No student is allowed to submit more than (1) entry to the contest. If more than one is entered, only the first will be accepted.

## Format:

- Essay is to be typed double space, black ink, & 12pt Times New Roman font.
- Please include a title page with the following information:
  - Title of Essay
  - Contestant's Full Name
  - Contestant's High School Name, Current Grade, & Sport(s) Playing
  - Contestant's Email Address and Cell Phone #
  - Contestant's Mailing Address
- Completed essays should be submitted via email to: [patrick@nchsaa.org](mailto:patrick@nchsaa.org) in PDF format with subject line reading "*Scholar Athlete Essay Contest*".

## Contest Parameters:

- Deadline for Submission: 11:59pm September 26, 2014
- Winning Essay Selected/Announced on or before: October 3, 2014
- 1 Male and 1 Female will be selected as winners and receive a prize pack from the NC National Guard and NCHSAA including an **8 GB iPod Nano**.
- Essays will be judged on originality, content, adherence to contest parameters, organization of material, grammar, and spelling.
- By entering the contest and submitting an essay, entrants agree to allow the NCHSAA and the NC National Guard use of the essay for future promotional opportunities.
- Judges' will consist of NCHSAA & National Guard staff – decisions will be final.