



## 2014 ALAA Scholarship Application

**Statement of purpose and objectives:** The American-Lebanese Awareness Association, Inc. (ALAA) has been formed to conduct programs of informational value pertaining to cultural and educational topics regarding Lebanon and the Middle East; to recognize the accomplishments of American-Lebanese in the area; to assist qualified students who reside in New England and who are of American-Lebanese descent through a program of scholarship awards; to provide a forum for speakers of reputation and accomplishments; and to participate and assist in civic, cultural and charitable programs of benefit to the Merrimack Valley in general and to the American-Lebanese population as applicable.

**Instructions:** In order to be eligible for consideration for scholarship assistance in the fall, Sections 1–5 of this Application must be completed in full, mailed and postmarked **on or before March 1** and forwarded to ALAA, P. O. Box 292, Lawrence, MA 01842. If selected as a recipient, you or a representative are required to attend the annual scholarship banquet scheduled for June 7, 2014 in order to receive your scholarship, or you will forfeit your scholarship award.

Please note that hand-delivered applications will not be accepted. Incomplete applications will not be eligible for consideration for scholarship. All application and supporting materials become property of the ALAA.

**Applicants must meet the following criteria for eligibility:**

1. Must be of Lebanese ancestry and reside in New England.
2. Must be a full-time student in an undergraduate college or will attend college in the subsequent year as an undergraduate.
3. Must not have already received two awards in his/her lifetime.
4. Must include with application an official, sealed transcript of grades through the most recently completed semester of high school or college.
5. Must include with application a wallet-sized photo of applicant only.
6. Must be a member of the ALAA. Applicant or parent may apply for membership concurrently with this application. The membership application is found at [www.americanlebaneseawarenessassociation.org](http://www.americanlebaneseawarenessassociation.org).

**All criteria must be met in order to be eligible**

### SECTION 1: BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

Name of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Date and Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_ City/Town \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthplace \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthplace \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Children in My Family \_\_\_\_\_ Number Attending College \_\_\_\_\_

ALAA Member:  Applicant \_\_\_\_\_  Parent \_\_\_\_\_



### SECTION 3: ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

Grade Point Average \_\_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_\_ Class Rank \_\_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_\_

Academic Honors Achieved at Current School: \_\_\_\_\_

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Best SAT Score \_\_\_\_\_ Verbal: \_\_\_\_\_ Math: \_\_\_\_\_ Writing: \_\_\_\_\_

College or University you plan to attend this fall: \_\_\_\_\_

School You Currently Attend: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Major Field of Study/Program \_\_\_\_\_

### SECTION 4: EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES, COMMUNITY SERVICE AND CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

On a separate piece of paper, please provide a listing of your extracurricular and civic activities, hobbies, work experience and/or special interests. Be sure to highlight any leadership roles you have held. Be sure to include years of participation in each activity. If you attend college, only include activities in which you currently participate and do not list extracurricular activities from high school.

On a separate page, please address the following statement in a short essay—one page minimum, word-processed, double-spaced, in a plain font no larger than 12 pt.: **Why is it important to you to receive this scholarship and give details of your involvement in the Lebanese community that explains why we should award this scholarship to you.** (The information you provide in this section will allow the Scholarship Committee to assess your involvement in and commitment to the preservation of Lebanese Pride, Heritage and Culture.)

### SECTION 5: FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Please include a statement regarding your need for financial assistance here and attach any documentation which you feel will help our committee assess your status.

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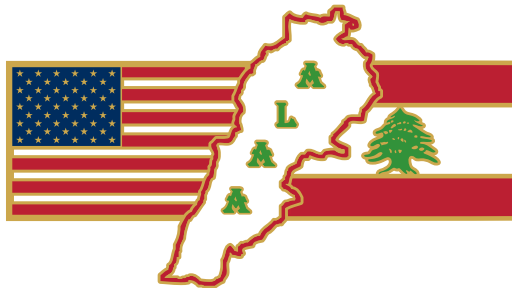
If granted, you will be notified in early May of receipt of your scholarship.  
Please **save the date of Saturday, June 7, 2014** to join us at our scholarship banquet held at Michael's Function Hall in Haverhill, MA

### SECTION 6: APPLICANT CHECKLIST

Please be sure to double check that you've done all of the following before sending your application:

- I have answered completely all questions in sections 1-5.
- I have enclosed an official sealed transcript.
- I have enclosed a resume outlining my extracurricular activities.
- I have enclosed a short essay as requested in section 4.
- I have enclosed a wallet sized photo of myself only. Senior pictures are best.  
**No pictures with others will be accepted. No passport photos will be accepted.**
- I have reserved June 7, 2014 to attend the ALAA Scholarship Banquet should I be selected as a recipient.
- I or my parent is a member of the ALAA, or my membership application is enclosed.

**APPLICATIONS WHICH DO NOT INCLUDE ALL OF THE ITEMS LISTED IN THE ABOVE CHECKLIST WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**



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