

# NCHSAA Scholar–Athlete Essay Contest

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## Prompt: What makes a Scholar-Athlete?

### Contest Rules:

- Any student-athlete currently enrolled at an NCHSAA member school and is participating in at least 1 NCHSAA sanctioned sport is eligible to enter.
- 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 using black ink, 12 point, 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
  - Contestant's Grade and Sport(s) Played
  - Contestant's Email Address and Cell Phone #
- 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 on April 25, 2014
- Winning Essay Selected/Announced on or before: May 2, 2014
- 1 Male and 1 Female will be selected as winners and receive a prize pack from the NC National Guard and NCHSAA including a **8 GB iPod Nano**. The opportunity for essay recognition at Spring Championships may exist.
- 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' decisions will be final.