HORATIO ALGER ASSOCIATION

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HORATIO ALGER SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INFORMATION

The Horatio Alger Association seeks to assist students who have demonstrated integrity, perseverance in overcoming adversity, strength of character, financial need, a good academic record, commitment to pursue a college education, and a desire to contribute to society.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be considered eligible for Horatio Alger National and State Scholarship Programs, applicants must:
- Be enrolled full-time as a high school junior in the United States, progressing normally toward graduation in spring/summer 2023 with plans to enter a college in the United States no later than the fall following graduation
- Exhibit a strong commitment to pursue and complete a bachelor's degree at an accredited non-profit public or private institution in the United States (students may start their studies at a two-year institution and then transfer to a four-year institution)
- Demonstrate critical financial need ($55,000 or lower adjusted gross family income is required)
- Be involved in co-curricular and community service activities
- Display integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity
- Maintain a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0
- Be a United States citizen

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

To apply for the Horatio Alger Scholarship Programs, the following items must be completed by **March 15**:
- An online application at scholars.horatioalger.org
- One Support Form completed online. This must be completed by an adult over the age of 21 who is not related to the applicant and who is aware of the adversities mentioned in the application. **This form must be filled out online. Faxes, emails, or letters will not be accepted.**
- Online Certification Form. A login will be emailed to the applicant's counselor.
- High school transcript. Applicants should upload a transcript through the application. **Transcripts must be submitted online and <u>must include completed grades for the Fall 2021 semester.</u>**
- Income Verification. A copy of **the first page** of the applicant's parent(s) federal tax return (1040, 1040A, 1040 EZ or 1099 SSA-Social Security form) or tax transcript (request a tax transcript here www.irs.gov/Individuals/Order-a-Transcript) from 2020 is needed in order to verify income stated on the application. If an applicant's parents were not required to file a tax return, include statement copies of any government benefits, such as Public Assistance or Disability payment documents. Income verifications may be uploaded online or sent by mail. Applicants of divorced or legally separated parents need to submit tax forms from both parents. **No emails or faxes accepted.**