

The New Mexico Activities Association Foundation will award up to 21 scholarships totaling a max of \$24,000 to NMAA member school students during the 2019-2020 school year. Scholarships will be awarded to individuals in six different categories which are listed below:

- 1) Compete with Class, presented by the NM National Guard (sportsmanship; max of 8 @ \$1,000 each)***
- 2) Extraordinary Participation (excellence in academics, athletics, and activities; 2 @ \$2,500 each)
- 3) Dan & Lucille / Gray Gladiator Athletics, presented by Subway (excellence in academics and athletics; 2 @ \$1,000 each)
- 4) Activities, presented by Subway (excellence in academics and activities; 2 @ \$1,000 each)
- 5) Mario Martinez Memorial (excellence in academics & multiple athletic programs from Class A-2A schools; 2 @ \$1,000 each)
- 6) El Richards / Francis Walsh Spirit, presented by Varsity Spirit (excellence in academics & Cheer/Dance; 2 @ \$1,000 each)

***Note: There is no formal application process for the Compete with Class scholarships as awards will be given to students that best exemplify the three pillars of the Compete with Class sportsmanship initiative - Respect, Integrity, and Responsibility. Recipients will be selected by the NMAA Foundation Board of Directors based on recommendations from the NMAA and its member schools. These scholarships are available to students from all grade levels, not just graduating seniors (all other scholarships are awarded to graduating seniors only and are based on an application process).

There will also be three "at-large" selections for the Coach Dick Shelley St. Michael's High School Basketball, Ralph Ortiz BPOE Elks Club of Santa Fe, & Santa Fe Knights of Columbus Scholarships. There is no formal application for these at-large scholarships as the recipients will be chosen from the pool of individuals that apply for the categories listed above.

The NMAA Foundation has recognized individuals from over 90 different NMAA member high schools over the last twelve years. In order to honor kids from all areas of New Mexico, we need your help in passing on application information to your high school administrators/counselors so that they can then inform your students of these scholarship opportunities. The deadline for each scholarship application is **February 1st, 2020**, but Compete with Class Scholarship nominations/recommendations can be made through the end of May.

Application packets must be submitted online via the following webpage:

<http://nmact.powermediallc.org/nmaa-foundation-scholarships/>