GSAA'
Gem State Adventist Academy

GSAA MERIT

SCHOLARSHIP

Please note that this is a merit based scholarship, funded by GSAA alumni; it is not based on financial need. This scholarship is designed to reward the hard work of outstanding students. <u>Students may only apply to one area per year and receive this scholarship once per area. They must have attended GSAA for a minimum of two years before applying.</u>

What is the Typical Amount of the Scholarship?

Day Students: \$1,500 per year Dorm Students: \$2,000 per year

What are the Areas of Excellence?

The GSAA Merit Scholarship is awarded to <u>one</u> qualifying student in each of these four areas: *Academics, Leadership, Fine Arts, and Athletics*. If there is no qualifying candidate for one or more of the four scholarship areas, a Merit Scholarship will not be awarded to that category for that year.

Who is Eligible?

Students must meet a minimum GPA requirement, show exemplary citizenship and good attendance, be outstanding in one of the four areas mentioned above, write a two-page essay about their accomplishments, and have three letters of recommendation to qualify for consideration. Two of the letters must be in the subject area the student is applying under (i.e. if applying for the athletics merit scholarship, a student might turn in a letter of recommendation from the athletic director and a coach).

Required Follow-up:

Since this scholarship is funded by generous donors, scholarship recipients will be required to write a thank you letter to the donors. The letter must be submitted to the Development Director by November 15 and will be sent to the donors.