

# The Massachusetts Broadcasters Association Student Broadcaster Scholarship Program



Our Association is committed to encouraging students who are interested in the radio and/or television industry to enroll as a secondary education student to further their education. Students interested in a career in over-the-air broadcasting are encouraged to apply for a scholarship from the Massachusetts Broadcasters Association.

## Who is the Massachusetts Broadcasters Association?

Established in 1954, the Massachusetts Broadcasters Association is a non-profit trade association for over-the-air radio and television stations in Massachusetts. Alongside supporting those already in the industry, the Massachusetts Broadcasters Association aims to promote broadcasting as a viable and opportunistic career choice.

## Who should apply for the Student Broadcaster Scholarship?

Students who are permanent residents of Massachusetts and are in the process of enrolling, or are currently enrolled, at an accredited institution of higher learning are encouraged to apply for a **\$2,000 scholarship**. Such institutions include vocational schools, 2- or 4-year colleges or universities offering degrees in radio and television broadcasting. Applying students must meet their school's status of a full-time student. The school does not need to be within the Bay State.

In 2009, the Al Sprague Memorial Scholarship was established to honor the former President of the Massachusetts Broadcasters Association. Mr. Sprague left his mark on broadcasting in the Commonwealth and to honor his legacy, one **\$3,000 scholarship** will be awarded annually to the student who shows the most promise in industry advocacy, leadership and entrepreneurship.

## How will award recipients be selected?

The selection process for scholarships will take into account such factors as financial need, academic merit, community service, extra-curricular activities, and work experience. Highest priority will be given to students with the most limited financial resources. Student applications are reviewed and selected by broadcasters who are participating members of the Massachusetts Broadcasters Association Student Broadcaster Scholarship Program.

## How and when are awards disbursed?

Scholarship payments will be made payable to both the student and the school and will be awarded in time for the 2012 fall semester. Students receiving a scholarship will be contacted by phone and a check presentation will be arranged at a station in their neighborhood. Letters of regret are sent to those students who have not been awarded aid.

## What is the application process?

**Please complete the enclosed application and return it to the Massachusetts Broadcasters Association at 43 Riverside Ave., PMB 401, Medford, MA 02155 by Friday, March 30, 2012.**

The Massachusetts Broadcasters Association will not be held responsible for materials mailed separately.

Applications that are incomplete, faxed, or emailed will not be considered.

## REMINDER:

Applications for a MBA Student Broadcaster Scholarship must be postmarked by

**March 30, 2012**

Applications postmarked after the deadline will not be accepted.

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Association

**Personal Information**

Student Name:

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Mailing Address:

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Email Address:

\_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone:

\_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date:

\_\_\_\_\_

I am a:

- high school senior       undergraduate student

High School:

\_\_\_\_\_

*school name/state/graduation date*

School You Plan to Attend in Fall:

\_\_\_\_\_

*school name/state/expected graduation date*

My School is a:

- 4-year college or university     2-year college     voc-tech school

I will be a:

- freshman     sophomore     junior     senior

Field of Study:

\_\_\_\_\_

Activities: list community and school activities in which you have participated. Include sports, student government, volunteer and community projects, etc. *(Attach additional sheets if necessary)*

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Work Experience: *(or enclose current resume)*

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Briefly state why you have chosen to pursue a career in a broadcast-related field: *(150 words or less)*

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If applying for the Al Sprague Memorial Scholarship, please indicate why you believe you are a good candidate: *(150 words or less)*

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PLEASE COMPLETE APPLICATION USING BLUE OR BLACK INK OR TYPE.

**High School Students Only**

TO BE FILLED OUT BY A SCHOOL OFFICIAL

Student ranks \_\_\_\_\_ in a class of \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative GPA \_\_\_\_\_ (4.0 scale)

PSAT/SAT \_\_\_\_\_ (verbal) \_\_\_\_\_ (math)

Signature, Title & Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Transcript**

If you are a graduating high school senior, or have never enrolled in college, you must include a high school transcript. If you are now enrolled, or have ever been enrolled as a college student, please include your most recent college transcript. The transcript need not be an official copy, but it must be cumulative and show most recently completed study. TRANSCRIPTS MUST BE INCLUDED WITH APPLICATION.

**Family Financial Statement**

If you are a dependent student, please have your parents complete the PARENT INFORMATION section using information from their most recent IRS Tax Return. Independent students and dependent students must complete the STUDENT INFORMATION section with information from your most recent IRS Tax Return. You are a dependent student if you are under 24 years of age.

**PARENT INFORMATION**

Adjusted gross income: \_\_\_\_\_

Total US income tax paid: \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of family members: \_\_\_\_\_

**STUDENT INFORMATION**

Adjusted gross income: \_\_\_\_\_

Total US income tax paid: \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of family members: \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of family members who will be attending college during the next academic year: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe personal or family circumstances that make it necessary for you to seek aid for your education:

*(attach additional sheet if necessary)*

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**Certification**

I certify that the information on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. If asked by any authorized representative of the MBA, I agree to give documentation for information given on this form. I realize that this proof may include a copy of a US tax return. I understand that the Massachusetts Broadcasters Association will consider the financial information confidential.

Applicant Signature & Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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