

**ALABAMA DISTRICT COUNCIL  
OF THE  
ASSEMBLIES OF GOD  
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM  
MANUAL**

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## I- Overview of the Alabama District Council of the Assemblies of God Scholarship Program (ADCSP)

The Alabama District Council of the Assemblies of God Scholarship Program gives financial assistance to outstanding Assemblies of God students who are going into ministry, to attend endorsed Assemblies of God colleges, universities, graduate schools. The ADCSP is open to high school seniors and college or seminary students who are attending Assemblies of God churches. In order to receive scholarship money, winners must attend an endorsed Assemblies of God educational institution the Fall immediately following high school graduation, or as they advance their education, or be returning to an endorsed school if presently attending.

The ADCSP is administered by the ADCSP Committee, which is comprised of the Alabama District Superintendent, District Secretary-Treasurer, District Youth Director, five regional representatives, and two laypersons who are educators.

Winners are awarded scholarships to the endorsed Assemblies of God college, university, graduate school, or institute of their choice as follows: Superintendent's Scholarship \$5,000.00; Pastor's Dependent Scholarship \$4,000.00; Church Ministry Scholarship \$3,000.00; Distance Learning (Degree program only) \$1,000.00.

## II- Purpose of the ADCSP

### A. For the Students

1. The ADCSP encourages A/G students to consider attending an A/G college, university, graduate school, or institute.
2. The ADCSP provides financial assistance to recipients.

### B. For the Educational Institution

1. The ADCSP provides an excellent means of publicity for A/G colleges, universities, graduate schools, and institute. The Program is advertised in The Alabama Messenger to give it wide circulation among prospective A/G college students and parents. Pastors and youth pastors are encouraged to get their youth and students involved in the ADCSP.

### C. For the Church

1. The ADCSP provides an opportunity for the Alabama churches to demonstrate a concern for and interest in the youth and students of the A/G.
2. The ADCSP exists as a vehicle for effectively strengthening the church by supporting the training of its most outstanding students as its future leaders.

### III- Funding the ADCSP

- A. The Alabama District Council contributes 5% of minister's tithe from the general fund to the scholarship account.
- B. Churches, individuals, businesses, etc. are encouraged to contribute.
- C. Grants are sought.
- D. Interest income from the endowment portion of the Scholarship Fund.

### IV- Promotion of the ADCSP

- A. The announcement of available applications will be published in the November-December issue of The Alabama Messenger.
- B. Applications will be mailed to all Alabama A/G churches.

### V- Eligibility of Applicants

- A. High school seniors or college or seminary students attending an Assemblies of God church and students living abroad as dependents of Assemblies of God appointed missionaries or chaplains will be eligible for the scholarship.
- B. Applicants should have a good academic record (preferably be ranked in top 20 percent of the class).
- C. Applicants should be active in school and community functions and especially in church and youth group activities.
- D. Only applicants planning to attend an endorsed A/G college, university, graduate school, or institute will be considered for district scholarships.

### VI- Application Procedures

- A. Handling
  - 1. A copy of the manual and application for the ADCS will be sent from the Alabama District Office to churches in December of each year.
  - 2. Applications will be accepted by the Alabama District beginning January 1.

3. Completed applications must be returned to the district office by March 31 with all supporting documents [references from pastor and high school principal or counselor or college professor or advisor, and transcripts(s)].

#### B. Application Form

1. The ADCSP application form is designed to solicit information relative to the applicant's scholastic performance (academic and extracurricular), employment record, Christian life, and Christian service (leadership in Sunday School, youth group, small groups, discipleship, choir, children's church, etc., and participation in Fine Arts Festival, Bible Quiz, AIM, youth camps, etc.)
2. The ADCSP application form will be reviewed by the ADCSP Committee.
3. Incomplete or late applications will not be eligible for evaluation.
4. References completed by family members will be unacceptable.

#### VII-Selection Process

- A. The ADCSP Committee will function as the Selection Committee for the awarding of the scholarships.
- B. The ADCSP Committee will choose recipients no later than May 31.

#### VIII-Notification Process

- A. The ADCSP Committee shall be responsible for notifying scholarship recipients, their pastors, and high school guidance counselors and/or principals or college office.