

The Sedona Group believes that supporting young adults in their education and training after high school is a key part of keeping our workforce and community competitive.

That is why they have partnered with WQAD News 8 to recognize outstanding high school seniors through our S.O.A.R. Scholarship program.

We are looking for seniors that best exemplify the S.O.A.R. characteristics.

- S Strength of character
- O Optimism predictions for future success and where will you be making a difference
- A Achievement in academics and volunteerism
- **R Resolve** shown when faced with an adversarial situation

Three high school seniors will be selected to each receive a \$5000 scholarship to be used towards further education and training.

Applicants must fill out the application attached. The application can also be filled out online in the Contest section of WQAD.COM. Deadline is 11:59 p.m. CT on April 15, 2021. Mailed entries must be postmarked by April 15, 2021 and received by no later than 5 p.m. CT on April 19, 2021.

A panel of judges will select our three winners. Three winners will be contacted and featured in a story to air on WQAD News 8 sometime in May or June 2021.

Applicants must meet the following requirements:

- CURRENT high school (or home-schooled) seniors attending school in WQAD viewing area.
- Anticipating completion of high school diploma in spring 2021;
- Planning to pursue further education and/or training after high school.

Complete list of contest rules, can be found at http://wqad.com/category/contest-rules/

For more information, contact Victoria Keninger at WQAD, 309-736-3224 or victoria.keninger@wqad.com.





## S.O.A.R. Scholarship



Email:
First Name:
Last Name:
Address:
City:
State:
Postal Code:
Phone:
Gender:
Birthdate:
High School:
Grade Point Average:
Colleges or Trade Schools Considering:
By entering this scholarship contest, I am willing to receive additional communication from the scholarship sponsor, The Sedona Group. I can opt out of communication from them at any time by emailing (initial)
Must be 16 or old to enter. If Under 18, I acknowledge I have received permission from a parent or guardian to enter this contest(initial)
Future Plans:

## Please answer the following essay questions. Feel free to use a separate sheet of paper. **Strength of Character** Describe how you have been a leader and shown strength of character at school and/or in the community. Optimism - predictions for future success, where will you be making a difference What do you think the future holds for you both in your upcoming post high school education and the future beyond it?

## Achievement in academics and voluntarism Tell us about your achievements both in and out of the classroom (academic, athletic, awards, volunteer work, etc.) Please do not include a list. R Te

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