NEW HAMPSHIRE FOOTBALL OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION POLICY FOR THE AWARDING OF SCHOLARSHIPS

I. PURPOSE

The New Hampshire Football Officials Association, through this policy, shall annually raise and disburse funds via academic scholarships to those schools demonstrating the high standard of sportsmanship that the NHFOA believes is essential to the high school student-athlete experience.

II. ACCUMULATION OF FUNDS

All funds shall be collected through donations and fundraising. All funds raised for scholarships will be deposited in a separate "Scholarship Fund". Money from the NHFOA operating budget shall not be used for scholarships.

III. SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

The scholarship committee shall be comprised of the Council chairman, the treasurer, and at least one other NHFOA member in good standing, as appointed by the Chairman. The committee shall oversee the collection of funds and shall annually determine the amount of each scholarship to be awarded. The committee shall insure that a scholarship is presented to each school that earns the NHFOA's sportsmanship award and banner.

IV. AWARD CRITERIA

The intention of the NHFOA is that the award be given to the senior who has made the greatest contribution to the positive environment at the school's football contests. The recipient may be a player, spirit squad member, musician in the band, or merely an enthusiastic fan. Any senior who fits the aforementioned description and who is pursuing further education is eligible, and the school shall make individual student selection(s) through their coach, athletic director, and/or school administration, or alternative, as they see fit.

Upon selection of a recipient, the school must provide the NHFOA with the following:

- 1. Name of recipient
- 2. Name of school/college recipient will be attending
- 3. Address of school/college recipient will be attending
- 4. Letter of enrolment from school/college

Scholarship checks will be issued to school/college to the benefit of the recipient.

V. PRESENTATION

Upon determination of sportsmanship award and banner recipients, the Chairman shall send a letter to the principal of the school, copying the athletic director, football coach, and NHIAA Executive Director, notifying them of the choice of their school for this recognition. The letter shall further inform the school of the NHFOA's criteria (see item IV, above) for selecting the student(s) to receive the scholarship. The NHFOA recommends that, when possible, a formal presentation of the sportsmanship banner and scholarship check be made by an NHFOA representative.

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