

January 8, 2015

The Mid-Atlantic Security Traders Association is pleased to announce a high school opportunity for graduating high school seniors. This year the Foundation intends to award at least one \$2,000 scholarship in the Virginia area. The winners will be announced by August and the monies will be forwarded to the student's account at their school prior to the tuition deadline for the fall semester of 2015.

Eligible candidates to be considered for the scholarship application will be high-school seniors who are past-participants of the Stock Market Game who are attending a Maryland, Virginia, or D.C. area four year college in the fall and have an interest in a business, finance, and/or economics major. Applicants must also be U.S. Citizens.

The Mid-Atlantic Security Traders Association, <u>www.midaltanticsecuritytraders.org</u>, is a non-profit organization and an affiliate of the Security Traders Association, <u>www.securitytraders.org</u>. The Security Traders Association (STA), founded in 1934, is a professional trade organization that works to improve the ethics, business standards and working environment for members who are engaged in the buying, selling, and trading of securities. With 24 affiliate organizations in the United States and Canada and over 4,500 members.

The Mid-Atlantic Security Traders Association is a merged organization comprising of the former Baltimore Security Traders, Securities Association of Virginia and the Washington D.C. Security Traders Association representing approximately 120 members and 35 investment firms located in Maryland, Virginia, and D.C. We will continue to promote the interest of our members and our commitment to our communities. In additions to providing scholarships for the past 16 years to students enrolled in college, our combined organization has supported the Maryland Council on Economic Education and the Virginia Council of Economic Education.

Requirements for the scholarship to a rising college freshman consist of a completed application (attached), grade point average, school to attend must be in MD, VA, or DC, and a 500-word essay entitled "How the Securities Markets Affect Our Daily Lives". The scholarship committee has established the following guidelines for evaluating candidates:

- 1. Grade Point Average
- 2. Essay
- 3. Awards/academic honors received in and out of high school
- 4. Extracurricular/school/athletic activities
- 5. Letter of reference (minimum of 2)

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We appreciate your assistance in making this opportunity available to high school seniors who have been involved with the Stock Market Game. Please distribute an application to all interested students and have them return to me no later than April 30, 2015. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 410.908.6230.

Sincerely,

Melissa A. Heathcote

President

Attachment

MAIL APPLICATIONS TO: Melissa A. Heathcote

Freshman Scholarship 1900 Glenroths Drive Abingdon, MD 21009

THE MID-ATLANTIC SECURITY TRADERS FOUNDATION, INC. SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Open to a Virginia high school senior who has participated in the Stock Market Game and have an interest in pursuing a business, finance, and/or economics major.

Name:		
Summer Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Phone Number:		
High School:		
Name of H.S. Advisor:		
Advisor's Phone Number:		
College Attending in the Fall:		
Athletics:		
School Activities:		
Extracurricular Activities:		
Awards & Honors Received In &	& Out of School:	
Academic Honors:		
Comments:		

Please return this application along with a copy of your transcript, grade point average, reference letters, and essay to:

Melissa Heathcote Freshman Scholarship 1900 Glenroths Drive Abingdon, MD 21009

Contact Melissa Heathcote with questions at <a href="mailto:mailt

NO APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED AFTER APRIL 30, 2015 FOR THE 2015 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS