

The Program

The AAA School Safety Patrol program has been protecting children going to and from school since 1920. Millions of young people across the United States and 30 other nations worldwide volunteer their time each day to help ensure the safety of their peers.

AAA Ohio Auto Club has been helping former School Safety Patrol members further their education after graduation through the AAA School Safety Patrol \$1,000 Grant program. Each year ten \$1,000 grants are presented to high school seniors who once participated in the AAA School Safety Patrol program. To date, more than 210 high school seniors have been awarded over \$211,250 since the program started during the 1987-1988 school year.

Who Can Apply

Students from the following counties are eligible to apply: Allen, Auglaize, Belmont, Butler, Carroll, Coshocton, Crawford, Delaware, Erie, Fairfield, Franklin, Guernsey, Hardin, Harrison, Holmes, Knox, Licking, Logan, Madison, Marion, Medina, Mercer, Monroe, Morgan, Morrow, Muskingum, Perry, Pickaway, Putnam, Richland, Sandusky, Seneca, Stark, Union, Van Wert, Wayne, Wyandot, and the City of Barberton.

Not Just For College

The grants are not limited only to students planning to attend a university or college. The grant money can be used for an apprenticeship program, enrollment in a trade school or participation in any other recognized program that will help students further their education following graduation from high school.

How To Apply

To apply, students must complete the application form on the next page. Only the official application form or a copy may be used to apply. Additional information is encouraged and may be attached to the application form.

Students are also required to write a 500-word essay, submit official school transcripts, and provide at least one written letter of recommendation. The essay question and requirements can be found below.

Once all applications have been reviewed finalists will be chosen for a phone interview with members of AAA Ohio Auto Club's Traffic Safety Department, who will make the final decision. Recipients of the grants are chosen based on their academic performance, school and community service, the essay and the interview. Finalists who are interviewed but not awarded the \$1,000 grant will receive a \$250 grant.

Applications must be submitted and postmarked no later than Tuesday, March 28, 2017. No application will be accepted without the signature of the guidance counselor or other school official and the applicant.

Essay Requirements

A 500-word (minimum) essay is required addressing the following:

- Describe how being a member of the AAA School Safety Patrol has influenced you. What did you learn from this experience?

Make sure to touch on the following topics in your essay:

- Describe a specific experience from the patrol that influenced you. What did you learn from this experience?
- What values did the AAA School Safety Patrol teach you as a young elementary student?
- What advice would you give to current AAA School Safety Patrollers and why?

Be sure to include personal experiences and specific examples in your response. Spelling and neatness are considered. All essays must be typed and double-spaced.



The Application

Personal Information – Please print clearly. Use black or blue ink only or type.

- Full legal name: Last _____ First _____ Middle _____
- Address _____ City _____ Zip _____
- Phone (_____) _____ - _____ E-mail _____
- Date of Birth ____/____/____ • Male ____ Female ____ • High School _____

Academic Performance – An official school transcript must be included with application.

- High School Grade Point Average (GPA) _____ Weighted Unweighted
- College Entrance Test Composite Scores, if applicable: ACT _____ SAT _____
- To what institutions or schools have you applied? Please list: _____

School Safety Patrol Experience

- At what school did you serve as a School Safety Patrol member? _____ What year(s)? _____
- Name the teacher or principal who supervised the Safety Patrol program where you served _____

Activities – Additional information may be attached to the application.

- School activities you have participated in: _____
- Out-of-school activities you have participated in: _____
- Special awards or honors: _____

References – A written letter of reference from one of your three names must accompany your application.

- List the names and addresses of three references, excluding family members.
 - A: Name _____ Relationship _____
Address _____ City _____ Zip _____ Phone (_____) _____ - _____
 - B: Name _____ Relationship _____
Address _____ City _____ Zip _____ Phone (_____) _____ - _____
 - C: Name _____ Relationship _____
Address _____ City _____ Zip _____ Phone (_____) _____ - _____

Certification – This section must be completed and signed in order to be eligible.

I affirm that the information on this application is accurate, to the best of my knowledge.

Please Print: Guidance Counselor/Other School Official (Full Name) _____

Phone Number (_____) _____ - _____ Date ____/____/____

X _____ X _____
Signature of Counselor/School Official Signature of Student Applicant

Completed application packets must be submitted to:

**AAA Ohio Auto Club, Attn: Kellie O’Riordan, 90 E. Wilson Bridge Rd, Worthington, OH 43085.
Materials must be postmarked no later than Tuesday, March 28, 2017.**

Name and address of local newspaper _____

The Recipients

2006-2007

Amol Amin - Columbian High School - Tiffin
Stuart Amstutz - Celina High School - Celina
Megan Benadum - Fairfield Union High School - Lancaster
Brittany Catania - Rutherford B. Hayes High School - Delaware
Lisa Lloyd - Mt. Vernon High School - Mt. Vernon
Christopher Magoon - Hoover High School - North Canton
Chelsea Miko - Wooster High School - Wooster
Kelly O'Brien - Bishop Watterson High School - Columbus
Kelly Sabo - Middletown High School - Middletown
Danika Stoltz - Grandview Heights High School - Grandview Heights

2007-2008

Douglas Blair - Van Wert High School - Van Wert
Kristina Gaietto - Tiffin Calvert High School - Tiffin
Andrea Garofalo - Hoover High School - North Canton
Jennifer Gill - Upper Arlington High School - Upper Arlington
Sara Harvey - Hilliard Darby High School - Hilliard
Katherine Kerns - Medina High School - Medina
Elyse Kowaleski - St. Mary's Central Catholic - Sandusky
Jordan Nelson - Shelby Senior High School - Shelby
Trent Smith - Kalida High School - Kalida
Ronald Townsent - Bishop Ready High School - Columbus

2008-2009

Matt Brisson - Bellefontaine High School - Bellefontaine
Trois Cooper - Shawnee High School - Lima
Harrison Hale - Worthington Kilbourne High School - Hilliard
Brynn Hamann - Hilliard Darby High School - Hilliard
Leah Hunter - Medina High School - Medina
Caitlin Jones - Celina High School - Celina
Alexander Reinhorn - Millersport High School - Thornville
Casandra Shuff - Tiffin Columbian High School - Tiffin
Paige Sinclair - Medina High School - Medina
Cassandra Winland - Zanesville High School - Zanesville

2009-2010

Connie Price - Grove City High School - Grove City
Callie Hand - Medina High School - Medina
Joseph Buccini - Brunswick High School - Brunswick
Jeffrey Chester - Upper Arlington High School - Upper Arlington
Timothy Alford - Fairfield Union High School - Lancaster
Johnathan Paxson - Fremont Ross High School - Fremont
Audrey Snyder - East Canton High School - East Canton
Lauren Wooddell - Middletown High School - Middletown
Nichole Butts - C-Tec/Watkins - Pataskala
Joy Fetter - Marion Harding High School - Marion

2010-2011

Samuel Besozzi - Bishop Watterson High School - Columbus
Bryan Knapp - Dublin Coffman High School - Dublin
Eric Crabtree - Northland High School - Columbus
Kyle Taylor - Bishop Hartley High School - Reynoldsburg
Tristan Thibodeau - St. Wendelin High School - Fostoria
Anthony Hauler - Van Wert High School - Van Wert
Nathan Loughridge - Celina High School - Celina
Andrew Casper - Wooster High School - Wooster
Andrea Sims - Bishop Rosecrans High School - Zanesville
Brittanie Jacobs - Mt. Vernon High School - Mt. Vernon

2011-2012

Eric Bohanan - Central Crossing High School - Grove City
Symiah Campbell - Whetstone High School - Columbus
Emily Horn - Gahanna Lincoln High School - Gahanna
Samuel Howard - Tiffin Columbian High School - Tiffin
Katrina Johnson - Hilliard Darby High School - Hilliard
Aunjanna' Million - Middletown High School - Middletown
Nichole Parsell - Worthington Christian High School - Worthington
Chris Schroeder - Thomas Worthington High School - Worthington
Sarah Shelton - Marion Harding High School - Marion
Kiley Walker - Marysville High School - Marysville

2012-2013

Nicholas Antos - Hilliard Darby High School - Hilliard
Lauren Donges - Stephen T. Badin High School - Hamilton
Jacob Eishen - Fremont Ross High School - Lindsey
Andrew Griffin - Zanesville High School - Zanesville
Joseph Horton - Thomas Worthington High School - Worthington
Josia Klein - Westerville South High School - Westerville
Gina Livecchi - Bishop Watterson High School - Columbus
Daniel McQuaide - Barberton High School - Barberton
Nadia Oehler - Galion High School - Galion
Ryan Rose - Medina Senior High School - Medina

2013-2014

Theresa Chapa - Hoover High School - North Canton
Peyton Demith - Tiffin High School - Tiffin
Garrett Dunn - Lancaster High School - Lancaster
George Kondracke - Bexley High School - Bexley
Alexis Lang - Danville High School - Danville
Megan Lentz - Sheridan High School - Somerset
Haley McConnell - Zanesville High School - Zanesville
Samuel Phares - Celina High School - Celina
Nathanael Steele - Bishop Rosecrans High School - New Concord
Joshua Stimpert - Danville High School - St. Louisville

2014-2015

Leah Bailey - GlenOak High School - Canton
Laurel Baumler - McKinley Senior High School - Canton
Nicole Doyle - Mount Vernon Senior High - Mount Vernon
Emily Huber - Lancaster High School - Lancaster
James Ohler - Hilliard Darby High School - Hilliard
Kelsie O'Leary - Centennial High School - Columbus
Nathaniel Rellinger - Fremont Ross High School - Fremont
Tomomi Suenaga - Dublin Coffman High School - Dublin
Morgan Von Holle - Middletown High School - Middletown
Abigail Wenger - Bexley High School - Bexley

2015-2016

Julie Didinger - Danville High School - Danville
Luke Gorbett - Ontario High School - Galion
Emma Merriman - Mount Vernon High School - Mount Vernon
Megan Towne - Medina High School - Medina
Margaret Tugend - Bexley High School - Bexley
Kayla Yontz - Sandusky St. Mary Central Catholic - Sandusky
Kayla Rowand - Dublin Scioto High School - Dublin
Cole Pennington - Zanesville High School - Zanesville
Nathan Longo - Dublin Coffman High School - Dublin
Grace Lemon - Wayendale High School - Fredericksburg