

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

APPLICATION



The Distinguished Service Award (DSA) recognizes the most outstanding and inspiring members of DeMolay. A DSA winner is a well-rounded young man who shows excellence and actively engages in service to others through his religious life, school activities, community activities, home life, DeMolay activities, and anything else he takes on. Every six months, two recipients are selected from all of the members of DeMolay International. The four DSA winners each year are the finalists for the International DeMolay of the Year.

Applications for the DSA are due on September 30 or March 31 annually. An applicant must be an active member of DeMolay International (under the age of 21) on the submission due date. An applicant must be endorsed by a DeMolay advisor or the Executive Officer. A minimum of two additional endorsements must be obtained from individuals familiar with the applicant. Contact information and a letter of recommendation from each endorser is required. The application should also be accompanied by evidence such as copies of grade cards, accolades, additional letters of recommendation, and other items that the applicant chooses. The application package must be **received** by the local Executive Officer on or before the submission due date.

APPLICANT

Name of Applicant _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ Alternate Phone _____
E-Mail Address _____

Type your responses to the following and attach them to this application.

1. List all activities you regularly participate in or attend.
2. List all honors and awards you have received (class offices, honor roll, religious awards):
3. List service rendered for the benefit of others (church work, camp counselor, etc.):
4. List any work performed in activities or organizations not recognized by official honors or awards (community work, membership drives, etc.):
5. List and describe any special services or awards not already listed.
6. Any additional information that you would like the panel to consider.

The information I have provided is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Applicant

Date

**DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD
ENDORSEMENT PAGE**



By receiving this form, you have been asked to vouch for the accomplishments of a young man with whom you are familiar.

Name of Applicant

The young man is a member of DeMolay, an international organization for young men ages 12 to 21 which emphasizes leadership skills and character-building within a program of social, sports, and community service activities. The Distinguished Service Award (DSA) recognizes the most outstanding and inspiring members of DeMolay. A DSA winner is a well-rounded young man who shows excellence and actively engages in service through his religious life, school activities, community activities, home life, DeMolay activities, and anything else he takes on. Out of the four DSA winners each year, one is selected International DeMolay of the Year.

Each applicant must be endorsed by a DeMolay advisor along with two additional endorsements from individuals who are familiar with the applicant. Contact information and a letter of recommendation from each endorser is required. The letter of recommendation should discuss activities the applicant participates in, honors and awards received, services the applicant has rendered (church work, camp counselor, community or school projects), and work performed that has not been recognized with honors or awards. Please also include any additional information you deem worthy, including your opinion of the young man's character and demeanor. It is important that DeMolay receives a complete representation of each candidate. If you do not feel that you can completely support the applicant in his efforts to be awarded the DSA, please politely decline to endorse him. Each applicant deserves the full support of his endorsers. If you choose to endorse the candidate, please return this form and the letter of recommendation to the applicant within the timelines he describes. If you have any questions regarding the award, contact the applicant directly or call 1-800-DEMOLAY.

ENDORSER

Name of Endorser _____

Relationship to Applicant _____

I can vouch for the candidate in the following area of service(s):

Religion School Community Home DeMolay Job Other

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Alternate Phone _____

E-Mail Address _____

Note: Please attach a Letter of Recommendation.

I heartily offer my support of the applicant for the Distinguished Service Award. Feel free to contact me for additional information.

Signature of Endorser: _____

[Chapter Letterhead]

[Date]

Mr./Mrs. _____

Dear _____:

_____, of _____ Chapter, Order of DeMolay is being considered for the DeMolay International's **Distinguished Service Award**. This award recognizes the outstanding service of a DeMolay to others: in his home, school, community, church, country and Chapter.

DeMolay is a service and leadership organization open to young men from 12 to 21 who believe in God and are of good moral character. Founded in 1919, DeMolay International has had over 1 million members, and continues its commitment to leadership and character development among young men today.

To qualify for the award, a DeMolay must demonstrate a willingness to give freely of his time and efforts in the service of others while striving to fulfill his own individual ideals and beliefs through his daily actions. It is necessary that we obtain written references on behalf of _____ and would appreciate your participation in this important endeavor by providing your impressions of _____ in the area of _____.

We hope that you will help us to encourage worthy accomplishments by today's youth through the submission of a letter. Your appraisal will be important in the final decision. Please forward your letter of reference to the address below.

Thanks for your assistance in this very important project!

Sincerely yours,

Chapter Advisor



Distinguished Service Award
Advisory Council Certification

The Advisory Council of _____ Chapter, located at
_____, in the Jurisdiction of _____,
after due deliberation, nominates _____, who is in
good standing in our Chapter, to receive the DeMolay Distinguished Service Award.

Advisory Council Chairman

For jurisdictional use:

Approved as jurisdictional winner for the _____ term of _____.

Executive Officer

Example

Distinguished Service Award

Nomination Summary

Nominee's Name and Age

Chapter

Address, City, State, Zip

EDUCATION

Central High School

Football letterman 3 years
Football captain in Senior Year
All-District End (Football)
Senior Year
Drama Club 3 years
Valedictorian
Grade average in high school of
3.80
Voted best-liked senior

Valley College

Freshman Council
Science Scholarship Senior yr.
Intramural Gymnastics 3 yrs.
Phi Kappa Sigma Senior Year

DeMOLAY

RD 2003
PMC
Chevalier 2006
Fourteen merit bars
Blue Honor Key 2005
State Junior Deacon
MATOC Flower Talk Champion
2005
Attended Key Man Conference
2002, 2003

COMMUNITY

Eagle Scout
Senior Patrol Leader
Junior Rotarian 1 year
God and Country Award
Red Cross Life Guard Certified
City Youth Council 1 year

CHURCH

President of Youth Fellowship 1
year
Participation in Youth Sunday
Service 1 year
Delgate to District Camp 1 year
Perfect attendance during 1 year
Chairman of fund raising for
youth group – current

HOME

Maintain savings account for
college
Perform assigned household
chores
Responsible for looking after
younger brothers and sisters
while parents travel
Aids in household repair work.