

**2025 Scholarship Criteria**

**Naismith Basketball Association Student Award**

The Naismith Basketball Association is offering three (3) opportunities for a student from Almonte District High School, Carleton Place High School, TR Leger in Almonte or Carleton Place, or Notre Dame Catholic High School in Carleton Place, to receive a one-time award of **$1,000** to go towards their first year of post-secondary education.

The award will be given to the graduating students who best represents the values that Dr. James Naismith brought to the game over 125 years ago – fairness, excellence, inclusion and fun! The award is only available to students who have been involved in some way with Naismith Basketball during their primary and/or secondary school years (a player, a volunteer, a referee, or a Jr coach). Full eligibility criteria is listed below.

**Applicants must meet all of the eligibility criteria at or before the application deadline:**

* Must have played or volunteered for a Naismith Basketball team (Almonte or Carleton Place)
* Must be moving on to post-secondary education (copy of acceptance letter will be requested)
* Must have achieved a minimum of 60 hours of community service during their High School years
* Must write a brief essay (250-300 words) to describe how they exemplify the values of James Naismith and the sport of Basketball

**Application Deadline: Tuesday, May 20, 2025 by 11:59pm**

Review Committee: Applications will be reviewed by the Board of Directors of the Naismith Basketball Association

Decision Date: The successful applicant will be advised by end of school year (hopefully presented at graduation ceremony)

Please complete the application form that follows, and email with attachments to our secretary:

kgedd014@hotmail.com



# **Naismith Basketball Association Student Award – Application Form**

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|  |  | Attach to email |
| Name of Student |  |  |
| Graduation Date/Year |  |  |
| Name of High School |  |  |
| Postsecondary acceptance (name of institution) |  | X  (copy of acceptance letter/s) |
| Naismith Basketball experience (describe player experience and/or any volunteer coaching or refereeing experience) |  |  |
| Listing of volunteer experience with hours (60) |  |  |
| ESSAY QUESTION | Dr. James Naismith, inventor of Basketball, grew up in Almonte. Write a brief essay (250-300 words) describing why you feel you embody the values of Dr. Naismith in your community/at your school. | X  (separate document with your essay response) |