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2020 Application Form

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In honoring the memory and high ideals of Ilio DiPaolo, the wrestling community is proud to announce this award providing recognition and financial aid to a deserving college-bound athlete, who has become an accomplished wrestler through dedication, skill and sportsmanship, while maintaining scholastics and citizenship. The recipient of this prestigious award is encouraged, but not required, to wrestle in college, and will be of such character so as to represent the best attributes of the wrestling family.

Criteria:

Scholarship will be awarded to a college-bound high school senior from Section VI, based on the following criteria:

- Active member of an interscholastic varsity wrestling team for at least one year.
- High school grade-point average adequate for enrollment in an accredited post-secondary or college-degree oriented program.
- Certifiable involvement in extra-curricular activities illustrating a commitment to community, citizenship, and/or non-profit organizations.
- Nominations shall be made by wrestling coach, school athletic director, teachers, administrators, parent, employer or interested student.

• The application must be submitted with all required documents by **Monday, March 19, 2020** to Ilio DiPaolo Scholarship Fund c/o John DiBlasi, 4325 Woodside Road, Lawtons, NY 14091 or on our website at: <https://iliodipaolos.com/ilio-dipaolo-scholarship-fund/> where they will be reviewed by the Ilio DiPaolo Scholarship Fund Committee. *"Finalists" may be required to complete more extensive informational and recommendation forms.*

Selection Committee:

A distinguished panel has been formed to gather and evaluate each wrestler's information, in order to establish recommended finalists. Final selection will be determined by this group, as listed.

Winners Announcement:

Presentation of this award will be made during the media/celebrity reception to be held on: **May11, 2020** at Ilio DiPaolo's Restaurant.

Awards Presentation:

- Ilio DiPaolo Award
- Gary Castanza Award
- Cauliflower Alley Award
- Bill Hein Wrestler Award
- Dick Beyer "Destroyer" Wrestler Award
- **NEW!!** The Knuutila Family Award

Nomination Form

Ilio DiPaolo Memorial Wrestling Scholarship

Nominee Must be a Graduating Senior from Section VI

Student's Full Name _____ Age _____ Date of Birth ___/___/___

Street Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone (home) _____ (cell) _____

E-Mail _____

High School _____ G.P.A. _____

Wrestling Weight Class _____ SAT or PSAT Scores _____

***Include Recent Copy of Transcript**

Win/Loss Record as Senior _____ Career Win/Loss Record _____

1. What colleges have been applied to:

2. List wrestling accomplishments, awards, youth programs, free-style, camps, etc.

3. List extra-curricular activities, organizations, community activities and employment: _____

4. List academic involvement and special awards: _____

5. Submit two letters of recommendation for nominee.

Name (print)

Signature

Mail completed form by March 19, 2020 to:

Ilio DiPaolo Scholarship c/o John DiBlasi

4325 Woodside Road

Lawtons, NY 14091

Any questions, call 532-2664