

# **T H E M A H S T O R C H B E A R E R A W A R D**

The **MAHS Torchbearer Award** was created by the MAHS Board of Delegates in 1999. The mission of the Michigan Association of Honor Societies is to create enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote leadership and to develop character in the students of secondary schools in Michigan. The MAHS Board of Delegates highly believes in recognizing outstanding leaders for their tremendous efforts in these four areas.

A **Student Leader of the Year for the High School Level** will be selected from applications received and will be chosen by the MAHS Board of Delegates and State Advisers. Recognition of the winner will take place at the MAHS/MASC State Conference in March. No student may receive this award more than once in his or her high school career. Students on the MAHS Board of Delegates are not eligible to receive this award.

**APPLICATION PROCESS (NEW FOR 2006-2007):**

*The candidate must be a **SENIOR** enrolled in a high school that is a current member of the Michigan Association of Honor Societies. There may be only **one** applicant per high school. **Students that are currently on or have been on the MAHS Board of Delegates are NOT eligible for nomination!***

*The following documents must be included in the application process.*

1. COVER PAGE
  - a. Please complete the COVER PAGE document contained in this application. Missing information will disqualify the candidate.
  - b. The Cover Page should be the FIRST page of the stapled application packet. Please DO NOT place applications in folders, bindings, or anything else "special" – a stapled packet is all we want. Creativity and presentation do not enhance the candidate's possibility of being honored with the Torchbearer Award.
2. APPLICATION SHEETS
  - a. Fill out the application sheets to the best of your ability or have the candidate complete them him/herself if this is not a surprise award.
  - b. Any incomplete or missing Application Sheets will result in the applicant being disqualified.
3. RECOMMENDATION FROM ADVISER
  - a. Each applicant must have a recommendation letter from his/her NHS Adviser. The Adviser should write on why this candidate should be awarded the Torchbearer Award. Please include SPECIFIC activities/projects the candidate has been involved with.
  - b. The recommendation letter is limited to one page and must be typed, double-spaced, and signed by the adviser.
4. CANDIDATE'S LETTER
  - a. Each candidate must compose a letter on the importance of student leadership in his/her life. Candidates should focus on addressing how they incorporate the Four Pillars into their lives.
  - b. The candidate is limited to one page, typed. The letter must be signed by the student candidate.
5. DEADLINE
  - a. All applications must be POSTMARKED BY February 23, 2007.
  - b. Applications must be mailed to MAHS:  
1001 Centennial Way, Suite 100  
Lansing, MI 48917

QUESTIONS?      Contact Kadi Pojeta, Association Coordinator:  
517-327-5315                      kadip@michiganprincipals.org

**MAHS TORCHBEARER AWARD  
2006-2007 APPLICATION**

**COVER PAGE**

*\*Please print clearly or type the information below. Feel free to re-type this page if needed. All information contained on this page must be typed onto your new page, in the same order as it appears here. No additional information may be added.*

**Candidate's Name (First & Last):** \_\_\_\_\_

**School Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**School City:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Grade Level:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Current Position on NHS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominated by:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominator's Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominator's Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

Attach photograph of candidate here.  
This should be a recent photo of ONLY the candidate.  
School photos work the best!

# MAHS TORCHBEARER AWARD 2006-2007 APPLICATION

## APPLICATION PAGE

*\*Please print clearly or type answers. Feel free to re-type this page in its entirety. You must include all questions, provide us with a similar format, and leave the exact order of questions the same.*

1. List the positions the candidate has held on the school's National Honor Society.

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2. List any non-NHS positions the candidate has held at his/her school.

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3. List any community (non-school) service/events the candidate has participated in.

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4. List any additional school/extra-curricular activities the candidate takes part in.

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5. List the MAHS/MASC events/activities the candidate has participated in.

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6. Nominator: Please describe briefly at least one way in which you feel the candidate displays each of the Four Pillars.

Scholarship: \_\_\_\_\_

Leadership: \_\_\_\_\_

Service: \_\_\_\_\_

Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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