

Scholarship Essay Competition

Mensa® is an international high IQ society with over 50,000 members in the United States and 207 members in the South Carolina Upstate. Every year the American Mensa Education and Research Foundation and the local chapter, Piedmont Area Mensa, offer scholarship money based on the writing of 550-word essays about educational and career goals. Last year the local group received 48 essays from students in the Upstate. Two of these students won \$300, one received \$600, and another won \$800.

This year's competition is open to anyone who will be pursuing a degree in an accredited college in the 2009-2010 school year. Mensa affiliation is NOT required. Applications and contest rules are available on line.

www.mensafoundation.org/scholarships

Essays must be postmarked by January 15, 2009. Applicants should pay careful attention to the rules and judging criteria. Some essays are disqualified every year because instructions were not followed.

If you have questions, contact Piedmont Area Mensa Scholarship Chair Mary Ann Cox at 864-963-2335 or maryacraig@juno.com.

Please share this information with others who may be interested.

Thank you.

Mary Ann Cox