**SOUTH DAKOTA EDUCATION ASSOCIATION/NEA
RAMIA BOERSMA MEMORIAL** [**SCHOLARSHIP**](http://sdea.org/AwardPrograms/scholarship.htm)

The South Dakota Education Association/NEA awards [scholarships](http://sdea.org/AwardPrograms/scholarship.htm) to outstanding students who are planning on entering the teaching profession. The Association may annually award up to three $750 scholarships for each academic year.

**HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS** - Four-year Scholarship

Criteria for application includes that the student must:

1.             Be the daughter or son of an active or retired SDEA/NEA member.
2.             Be in the top quarter of his/her class as of January, 2014.
3.             Be a student in a South Dakota public education institution.
4.             Be accepted and/or enrolled in a South Dakota college or university.

The following attachments must be included with the application form:

1.             A copy of high school transcript.
2.             A listing of the academic and extra-curricular activities.
3.             Letters of recommendation from at least two teachers and one administrator.
4.             A 300-500 word essay on the strengths and skills the applicant will bring to the field of education.

**COLLEGE SOPHOMORES** - Two-year scholarship

Criteria for application includes that the student must:

1.             Be completing the sophomore year of college and enrolled in a teacher prep program.
2.             Be the daughter or son of an active or retired SDEA/NEA member.
3.             Be a full-time student.
4.             Have at least a 3.0 grade point average.
5.             Maintain membership in SDEA/NEA Student Program.

The following attachments must be included with the application form:

1.             A copy of the applicant's college transcript.
2.             A listing of academic and extracurricular activities.
3.             Letters of recommendation from at least three instructors.
4.             A 300-500 word essay on the strengths and skills the applicant will bring to the field of education **.**

A recipient of [the scholarship](http://sdea.org/AwardPrograms/scholarship.htm) will have the award extended for another academic year provided that he or she has:

1.             been a full-time student in a teacher preparation program in a South Dakota college or university.
2.              maintained at least a 3.0 grade point average.
3.             maintained membership in South Dakota/NEA Student Program.

**Completed applications and attachments must be submitted by February 15 to:**

SDEA/NEA Scholarship Committee
South Dakota Education Association/NEA
411 East Capitol
Pierre, SD 57501

Print this form on your printer and return to the below address.

**South Dakota Education Association/NEA**

**RAMIA BOERSMA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

**(Please type or print)**

Name:                                                                            Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Current Address:                                                              Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

City\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   State: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Zip: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name:                                       SDEA/NEA Member: (Y/N) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name:                                                  SDEA/NEA Member: (Y/N) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

High School:                                                         Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Address:

Principal or Counselor: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

College/University you are attending/enrolled: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Class Rank (as of January 2015)                                     out of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_          students in class.

Verification-School official's signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date:                                                                               Title: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Attachments:** (Label each with your name and address)

**HIGH SCHOOL:**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_A copy of high school transcript.**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_A listing of the academic and extra-curricular activities.**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Letters of recommendation from at least two teachers and one administrator.**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_A 300-500 word essay on the strengths and skills the applicant will bring to the field of education.**

**COLLEGE:**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_A copy of the applicant's college transcript.**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_A listing of academic and extracurricular activities.**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Letters of recommendation from at least three instructors.**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_A 300-500 word essay on the strengths and skills the applicant will bring to the field of education.**

 Return your completed application, together with all attachments by **February 15,** to:

                        SDEA/NEA Scholarship Committee
                        South Dakota Education Association/NEA
                        411 East Capitol
                        Pierre, SD  57501