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

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**HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS** - Four-year Scholarship (up to two awarded each academic year)

Criteria for application includes that the student must:

1.             Be in the top quarter of his/her class as of January, of their graduation year.  
2.             Be a student in a South Dakota education institution.   
3.             Be accepted and/or enrolled in a South Dakota college or university.

4. Be enrolled in a Tribe or descendent of a Tribal enrollee. (refer to Indian Health Service/BIA

requirements-http://www.ihs.gov/scholarship/handbooks/application handbook.pdf)

The following attachments must be included with the application form:

1.             A copy of high school transcript.

2.             A listing of the academic, extra-curricular and community activities.

3.             Letters of recommendation from two school personnel and one personal reference.

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.
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 March 6 to:**

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**COLLEGE SOPHOMORES** - Two-year scholarship (up to two awarded each academic year)

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 a full-time student.   
3.             Have at least a 3.0 grade point average.   
4.             Maintain membership in SDEA/NEA Student Program.   
5. Be enrolled in a Tribe or descendent of a Tribal enrollee. (refer to Indian Health Service/BIA

requirements-http://www.ihs.gov/scholarship/handbooks/application handbook.pdf)

The following attachments must be included with the application form:

1.             A copy of the applicant's college transcript.

2.             A listing of academic, extracurricular and community activities.

3.             Letters of recommendation from two instructors and one personal reference.

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.

2.            Maintained at least a 3.0 grade point average.

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