
Michigan Creativity Association 2017 Scholarship Application

MICA 2017 Scholarship Honoree:

The scholarship honoree is an individual who has made significant contributions to the creative problem-solving community in the State of Michigan, and has advanced the Destination Imagination program in some way. The honoree status is the top award that the Michigan Creativity Association can award to a volunteer of the program, and is voted on by the current MICA Board of Directors. Often, the distinguished honor of MICA Scholarship Honoree is awarded to a long-time volunteer or appraiser, previous coordinator or team manager who has continued their involvement, or community/business leader who has significantly impacted the Destination Imagination program.

The 2017 MICA Scholarship Honoree is **John Dennis**:

John has been a key volunteer to MICA and Destination Imagination in Michigan, through both his leadership in the Improv Challenge and his ongoing contributions to the MICA registration program. John was a Regional Challenge Master for the Improv Challenge and later moved into the role of Affiliate Challenge Master, serving on the MICA Board of Directors for over four years. During his tenure with the MICA Board, John volunteered to help create the registration system database that has been in use ever since, including arranging the donation of a “retired” server to run the database. During this period John served as the de-facto Registration Director before that title existed. John continues to train board members and aid with registration issues, and this year he set up a new donated “retired” server for registration with upgraded software.

MICA 2017 Scholarship Applicant Requirements:

All applicants of the Michigan Creativity Association scholarship must fulfill the following requirements:

- A current High School Senior, graduating at the conclusion of the 2016-17 Academic Year
- Planning to pursue a higher education at either a college/university, vocational school, or local education institution
- Have participated in the Destination Imagination program, and participated in Destination Imagination tournament sanctioned by the Michigan Creativity Association

Scholarship Deadlines:

Scholarship applications may be submitted either electronically via email or by mail.

EMAIL application

Please email application materials to MichiganDestinationImagination@gmail.com by **Sunday, March 26th, 2017 at 11:59pm**. Please include all materials in .pdf format only.

MAIL application

Please mail all application materials in a large envelope (8.5” x 11”, 9” x 13”, or larger), postmarked and mailed by **March 19th, 2017** to the following address:

MICA Scholarship Review Committee
c/o Will Burmeister
625 Massoit
Clawson, MI 48017

**Michigan Creativity Association
Scholarship Application – Basic Information**

Applicant First Name:

Applicant Last Name:

Current High School Attending:

Home Address:

Street:

City:

Zip:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

College/University/Vocational School you plan to attend in the 2017-18 Academic Year:

Intended academic major or course of study:

If you are currently on a team, please list the OFFICIAL team name, and team number:

Official Team Name (as it appeared in tournament schedule and registration system):

Official Team Number:

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Note: if you participated on more than one team this year, please just list one.

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Scholarship Application – Involvement with Destination Imagination

Please indicate with an "X" the grades that you participated in Destination Imagination and attended a Michigan Creativity Association sanctioned tournament:

First Grade	
Second Grade	
Third Grade	
Fourth Grade	
Fifth Grade	
Sixth Grade	

Seventh Grade	
Eighth Grade	
Ninth Grade	
Tenth Grade	
Eleventh Grade	
Twelfth Grade	

Please list any accomplishments or awards received by Destination Imagination:
Example: DaVinci Award Team Recipient, 2014

Please list any additional creative problem solving programs that you have participated with:
Example: Future Problem Solvers, Ninth and Tenth Grade

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Scholarship Application – School & Community Involvement

Please list any school or community extra-curricular activities that you have participated with during your high school career. Please indicate which years you were involved, and any leadership roles held.

ACTIVITY	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th	LEADERSHIP ROLE
Example: National Honor Society			x	x	Vice President (12)

Please list any significant volunteer contributions you have made with local not-for-profit organizations, schools, community organizations, or religious service-based institutions. Define how many hours you devoted to each organization each of the four years of your high school career.

ORGANIZATION	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th
Brantwood Township Parks & Recreation – Youth Science Fair	15	15	30	30

Please list any jobs held below, as well as length of employment:
Example: Donna’s Sub Shop, Sandwich Artist, July 2015-Current

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Scholarship Application – School & Community Recognition

Please list any school or community awards that you have received during your high school career. Please indicate which year you received this award and, if applicable, which organization granted you this award.

Example: Junior Year – 2015 Pardonnet High School Athlete of the Year Award

Please list any scholarships that you have already received for the 2017-18 Academic Year, including the institution granting the award:

Example: Chamberlin University Academic Distinction Award, \$2,000 per semester

Michigan Creativity Association Scholarship Application – Essays

In order for the scholarship review committee to get a better understanding of you as a candidate, please select TWO of the following three essays to respond to, and respond to the topic with no more than 300 words per essay. Please carefully read the three questions below, and write your thorough, yet concise essay on the following page. Please indicate which of the essay questions you are answering at the top of each essay. Your scholarship review will NOT be impacted by which of the two essay questions you select – please select the two that you believe will allow you to most effectively reflect on, and share your DI experience with the Scholarship Review Committee.

Similar to a DI challenge, you may approach these essays any way you choose, and may elect to be as formal or as conversational as you like. You may elect to show us your personality and individual style through these essays – this is your chance to connect with the members of the scholarship committee and leave a memorable impact.

Essay Question: MICHIGAN

Take a moment to reflect on the entirety of your experience with the Destination Imagination program and summarize how you, as an individual, have been personally impacted by your involvement. Please be sure to cite specific examples that are particularly memorable.

Essay Question: DESTINATION

Many high school students have continued their involvement with Destination Imagination outside of the traditional role as a team member. Please elaborate in what ways you have dedicated your time, energy, and innovation towards advancing the DI program in some manner.

Essay Question: IMAGINATION

Tell us about an instance when you utilized a particular skill or set of skills developed by your participation in Destination Imagination in another aspect of your life.

Essays will be reviewed with a criteria focusing on clear and effective Communication style, quality of response, and creativity of response.

ESSAY #1

Place an X in the box next to the essay you are responding to:

ESSAY "MICHIGAN"	
ESSAY "DESTINATION"	
ESSAY "IMAGINATION"	

ESSAY #2

Place an X in the box next to the essay you are responding to:

ESSAY "MICHIGAN"	
ESSAY "DESTINATION"	
ESSAY "IMAGINATION"	