

Nomination form for SM Elks Lodge #1538
Student of the Month Scholarship
September 2018 – April 2019

Please carefully follow the accompanying criteria listed for this application to give yourself the best opportunity to receive scholarship funds. Judging is based on overall depth of community activities – including hours of volunteer service (40 pts), variety of school sports and activities (35 pts), and weighted GPA (25 pts).

- ___ Include a copy of your official transcript
- ___ Attach a small, recent photo
- ___ Use bullet format rather than paragraphs; be detailed but brief
- ___ Include hours of service for all activities
- ___ Include offices held, team leaderships, awards and/or recognition received

Nominee's Full Name: _____

Address: _____ City _____ Zip _____

Parent's Names: Father _____

Mother _____

Telephone: _____ Birthdate: _____

Email address: _____

School name: _____

Weighted GPA (10-12): _____ Number AP/AHC classes taken: ____ / ____

Approximate total service hours: _____ (List separately next to activity)

Class rank: _____ / _____

Suggested order for resume:

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| Student activities and sports | Hobbies & interests |
| Awards & recognition | Future plans |
| Community activities/service | |

{You may update your application resume once before the April 15, 2019, deadline.}

****Please paper clip this sheet as top page of submissions—do not staple—and do not put final packet into a cover or folder. Try to reduce bulk. DUE in office by 4:00 pm the 15th of each month.****

This form is available for download on the Lodge website: <http://www.santamariaelks.org>.
Click on Committees and go to SOM section.

Criteria for SM Elks Student of Month and Year, 2018 – 2019

(Advisory: Use this sheet as a checklist for your final packet.)

Please type the application form and use it as a coversheet: www.santamariaelks.com

1. Use bullet form to list activities, clubs, sports, community service. (Do not include paid employment.)
2. List offices, awards, leadership positions, with each sport or activity.
3. Include *hours of service* where appropriate, as this is important information for the team reading your application.
4. Include an official copy of your current transcript. (You may submit an updated transcript by April 5, 2018. Please label the envelope as such.)
5. Letters of recommendation are not required but *may* be included.
6. You may submit a revised resume *one (1)* time before the April 15, 2019, deadline. (Student of the Year will be presented in May 2019.)

The score for the overall packet submitted will total 100 points distributed as follows:

(40 pts) Community Activities—all volunteer and altruistic work which you perform in the community (other than school, paid employment, and household chores). *Be certain to include the service hours!*

(35 pts) School Activities—clubs, sports, and committees. Should include a *diverse* selection which demonstrates a wide variety of choices on your part. Be certain to include offices, leadership roles, and show how you were involved *other than membership*.

(25 pts) GPA—though academics show effort and commitment, Elks rely on the principal of “volunteerism” and community service, thus your grades serve as 25% of your overall score. The committee uses the weighted grade 10 – 12 GPA and looks at the AP/AHC classes taken as well. (Be aware *many* applicants have a 4.1 – 4.6 GPA but this should not deter anyone: remember the committee values service above all.)

Two students are selected each month October – September. Application packets are *due in the Elks Lodge Office, Scholarship Mailbox, by 4:00 pm the 15th of Sept. – March.*

Students, counselors and technicians are notified by email during the first week of the month. The presentation of \$300 and a framed certificate occurs at 7:30 pm the 2nd Thursday of each month. Each student is asked to bring his/her parents to Shaw’s restaurant at 5:30 pm for a dinner--hosted and paid for by the Elks Lodge--before the presentation. School personnel are encouraged to join us for the presentations at the Lodge.

Feel free to email or text me with any questions. And best wishes for your success!

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