

Print, complete, sign and return 1 form per Gymnast to your Coach

YMCA _____ CITY / STATE _____

2009 Graduating Senior Recognition

Please have each graduating senior from your team who will be *present and competing* at the 2009 National Meet fill out this form. Also, please send a wallet-sized senior picture for each senior. All seniors will be featured in the meet program and will be recognized as part of the Opening Ceremonies on June 24th. **All information is due by April 1, 2009.**

Please answer the following questions and send them in with wallet sized picture with your registration information.

Please print clearly!

Gymnast: _____

Team: _____

City, State: _____

YMCA Name: _____

Level: _____

Years in YMCA Gymnastics: _____

Favorite Event: _____

Post Graduation Plans: _____

“Words of Wisdom”: _____

Photo Release:

I, _____, grant the Phoenixville YMCA and persons acting for or through them, the rights to use, reproduce, assign, and/or distribute photographs, films, videotapes, and sound recordings of myself, or of my minor child or ward, for whom I am authorized to give this permission on behalf of the named minor, for use in materials they may create.

Signature _____ Date _____

** If under 18, Parent / Guardian must sign

Don't forget a senior picture! Due April 1, 2009 with Coach's packet!

Late information cannot be accepted.

Senior scholarship forms are available on the meet website www.ymcanationals2009.org

**YMCA OF THE USA
GYMNASTICS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
SCHOLARSHIP AWARD**

Criteria

Must have been a YMCA gymnast for five years.

Must be a graduating senior.

Must have competed in the National YMCA Gymnastics Championships for three years at any level (where opportunity existed).

Must maintain a grade point average of 3.5 on a 4.0 or equivalent scale accumulative and/or during senior year in high school. Must submit school transcript.

Must have plans to continue education at a university or junior college.

Must include two letters of recommendation from a coach, clergy, teacher, or YMCA staff person. Letters must reflect the athlete's display of the YMCA character traits of caring, honesty, respect, and responsibility. Letters must be no longer than one page.

Must present a one page letter reflecting upon what the athlete's participation in the YMCA gymnastics program has meant to them.

Must compete at National YMCA Gymnastics Championships in their senior year and must be present to accept the award. Special medical exemptions for injured gymnasts will be considered by the selection committee.

Application Procedure

Interested individuals must complete and return their applications along with two letters of recommendation and a one page letter reflecting upon what their participation in the YMCA gymnastics program has meant to them. All documentation is due by April 1, 2009 to:

**Kelly Burton
2009 National Gymnastics Championship Coordinator
Freedom Valley YMCA
Phoenixville Branch
400 East Pothouse Road
Phoenixville, PA 19460**

Applications will be reviewed and the final selection made by a panel of three individuals appointed by the YMCA of the USA Gymnastics Advisory Committee. This year three \$1,000 Scholarship Awards will be awarded.

The winners will be announced at the National YMCA Gymnastics Championships Opening Ceremony on **June 24th in Downingtown, PA.**

A check for \$1,000 will be issued directly to the athlete's institution of higher learning.

Applicant's Name: _____

List Volunteer Service Activities:

Name of College/University Applicant will be attending: _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

University Contact Person _____ Phone _____

I understand that if I am selected as the recipient of the YMCA of the USA Gymnastics Advisory Committee \$1,000 Scholarship Award, the funds will be paid directly to the college or university in which I officially enroll. If I decide to transfer to another school, the scholarship may be transferred upon approval of the gymnastics Advisory Committee. If for any reason, I decide not to attend a college or university, the scholarship will be null and void.

Applicant Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature

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