

## Horatio Alger Denny Sanford Scholarship Application Information

The Horatio Alger Association seeks to assist students who have demonstrated integrity, perseverance in overcoming adversity, strength of character, financial need, a good academic record, commitment to pursue a college education, and a desire to contribute to society.

### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be considered eligible for the Horatio Alger Denny Sanford Scholarship Program, applicants must:

- ◆ Be enrolled full-time as a high school senior, progressing normally toward graduation in spring/summer with plans to enter college no later than the fall following graduation
- ◆ Exhibit a strong commitment to pursue and complete a **bachelor's degree at one of the schools below**

Augustana University  
Black Hills State University  
Dakota State University  
South Dakota School of Mines  
South Dakota State University  
University of Sioux Falls  
University of South Dakota  
University of Minnesota – Twin Cities

- ◆ Demonstrate critical financial need (\$55,000 or lower adjusted gross family income is required)
- ◆ Be involved in co-curricular and community service activities
- ◆ Display integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity
- ◆ Maintain a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.5
- ◆ Be a United States citizen

### APPLICATION PROCEDURES

To apply for the Horatio Alger Denny Sanford Scholarship Program, the following items must be completed by **March 15**:

- ◆ An online application at [application.horatioalger.org](http://application.horatioalger.org).
- ◆ One Support Form completed online. This must be completed by an adult over the age of 21 who is **not related** to the applicant and who is aware of the adversities mentioned in the application. **This form must be filled out online. Faxes, emails, or letters will not be accepted.**
- ◆ Online Certification Form. A login will be emailed to the applicant's counselor.
- ◆ High school transcript. Applicants should upload a transcript through the application. **Transcripts must be submitted online.**
- ◆ Income Verification. A copy of **pages 1 and 2** (and schedule 1 if applicable) of the applicant's parent(s) federal tax return (1040, 1040A, 1040 EZ or 1099 SSA-Social Security form) or tax transcript (request a tax transcript here [www.irs.gov/Individuals/Order-a-Transcript](http://www.irs.gov/Individuals/Order-a-Transcript)) for 2018 is needed in order to verify income stated on the application. If an applicant's parents were not required to file a tax return, include statement copies of any government benefits, such as Public Assistance or Disability payment documents. Income verifications must be uploaded online. Applicants of divorced or legally separated parents need to submit tax forms from whichever parent/guardian has claimed them for the 2018 tax year. **No emails or faxes accepted.**