

Thank you for your interest in this scholarship.

This program is to honor the memory of Mr. Harold B. Deafenbaugh and his contributions to the Destination Imagination (DI) program. He was a juror for the structural problem and volunteered for DI for 20 years. Every year, during competition, Harold would wear a crazy hat, often made by his equally crazy and creative wife Debbie.

Harold believed that DI could help youth practice the much-needed skills of creativity and problem-solving in a fun way, and that the competition could help set them up for success in their lives and careers.

We would like to challenge you to express what Destination Imagination means to you and what you feel it will mean to your goals and future through a silly hat. We'd also like you to write a short paragraph or two about what DI means to you and submit it at [Deafenbaugh.com/enter2019](http://Deafenbaugh.com/enter2019).

## Official rules

To be eligible for the Deafenbaugh Scholarship, an applicant must:

- Participate in the Ohio Destination Imagination competition and compete at State tournament in Lisbon Ohio in March 2019.
- Be enrolled in a public or private high school or home school program or vocational school (9th-12th grade).
- Submit a statement and a photograph on [Deafenbaugh.com/enter2019](http://Deafenbaugh.com/enter2019) from March 30-April 6, 2019. :
  - Create a creative, imaginative, or silly hat and wear it during State competition in Lisbon, Ohio.
    - Some aspect of the hat should be expressive of what participation in DI means to the applicant and their career or future goals.

- Cost limit for the hat is \$30.
  - Take a selfie or have a photograph taken of themselves in front of a logo or some type of identifying symbol that shows they were wearing the hat at state competition
    - Photo should be the highest resolution possible - at least 1000 x 1000 pixels).
  - Write a 125-150 word statement that addresses the question “How has Destination Imagination helped you prepare for your future career and goals?” and explain how your hat reflects this.
- If student experiences technical errors with the web site, their submission can be sent via email to [deafenbaughfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:deafenbaughfoundation@gmail.com). Submission is due by April 6, 2019 either through the web interface or via email.
- Student will receive an email confirmation that their submission was received.

## Judging Rubric

- The application will be judged on the following:
  - Hat photo
    - Yes/No - Is it clearly taken at state competition?
    - Yes/No - Is the photo clear?
    - 1-15 pts - Creativity of hat design
    - 1-5 pts - Silliness / Creativity of photograph
    - 1-5 pts - Craftsmanship
  - Written submission
    - Yes/No - Is the submission between 125-150 words?
    - 1-10 pts - Explaining your hat - What elements did you use in your hat and how do they reflect the question “How has Destination Imagination helped you prepare for your future career and goals?”
    - 1-10 pts - Does the written submission address the question “How has Destination Imagination helped you prepare for your future career and goals?”

- 1-5 pts - Clear communication, including grammar, spelling, and punctuation.
- Juror selection and decision process:
  - Applications will be decided on by a panel of an odd number of three or more (3+) individuals that do not have a direct affiliation with individuals or teams participating in the competition.
  - Jurors may be past Destination Imagination participants, teachers or coaches from past teams, or others familiar with the DI program.
  - Juror scores will be tallied and the student with the highest score will receive the scholarship. In the event of a tied score, all jurors will meet on a call or in-person to decide the winner.
  - Jurors will not be given student names or other identifying information aside from than the photograph and the paragraph for each student.

## Award Notification

- Winner will be notified via email and USPS mail by May 1, 2019.
- Their submission will be shared on Deafenbaugh.com and with the Destination Imagination community.

## Scholarship Disbursement

- One (1) scholarship will be given to a 2019 Ohio DI participant, who competes at the state level.
- Scholarship is open to students pursuing 2-year or 4-year degrees, vocational job training, certifications or other post-high school learning opportunities from accredited academic institutions. Both online and in-person programs are eligible for scholarship funding.

- Scholarship may be used for academic fees and resources associated with education that are payable directly to the school or educational facility of their choosing.
- Student should inform the Deafenbaugh Foundation of their acceptance into their degree program, educational program, or accredited course via email to [deafenbaughfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:deafenbaughfoundation@gmail.com).
- If a student doesn't pursue school immediately following high school graduation (for example, if they choose to serve in the military), the funds will be held for them until the student needs them.

## Award Limitations

- Previous Deafenbaugh Scholarship award winners are not eligible to win a second time. (This is the scholarship's first year; currently there are no past winners.)
- Scholarship winners must complete high school, vocational school or a GED to be eligible to receive funds.
- Incomplete submissions will not be considered.
- Late applications (applications received after April 6, 2019) will not be accepted.

## Application Submission

- These are the required questions for a complete submission
  - Name
  - Last Name
  - Grade Level
  - High School
  - Team name
  - Email address (for notification of winners and confirmation that submission was received)
  - Mailing address (for notification of winners)
    - Street address

- City, State, Zip
- Photograph of applicant in hat
  - (Photo should be the highest resolution possible - at least 1000 x 1000 pixels).
  - Detail of hat should be visible in photograph.
- Written response that addresses the question: “How has Destination Imagination helped you prepare for your future career and goals?”
  - Response can be one or multiple paragraphs, between 125-150 words.