

J.J. Noonan Scholarship

Description / Purpose: This award is present to students from area schools and colleges that offer a degree in laboratory animal science.

These awards are based on merit, achievement and need, and are for the purpose of *“furthering the student’s education in the field of laboratory animal science.”*

Award: Six scholarships sent directly to the school or college shall be awarded annually, each award consisting of a **\$1,000** honorarium.

Nominee Qualifications / Criteria: The candidate must:

- a. Be pursuing a full time high school, college, or graduate level curriculum related to laboratory animal science or medicine.
- b. Be maintaining an overall “B” grade point average either currently or in immediate past year.
- c. Demonstrate financial need in order to complete student’s education.
- d. Be preparing to enter a career in laboratory animal science or related field.
- e. Should be attempting to gain practical experience with lab animals, large or small, used in research, education, training, or testing before or while attaining an academic education. Working summer, weekends, or evenings caring for or managing animals is important in rounding out the formal education.
- f. Be attending eligible institution:
 - *Institution Eligibility:* The candidate must attend an institution that has a letter on file with DVB/AALAS stating that the school or college curriculum meets the qualifications of the J.J. Noonan Scholarship Awards criteria.

Nomination Process: The candidate must submit a letter to the DVB/AALAS Awards Chairperson describing their personal qualifications and why they should be given the scholarship award. This letter should address:

- 1) School he/she is attending or planning to attend.
- 2) Candidate’s current and/or past grade point average, whichever applies.
- 3) Candidate’s financial need.
- 4) Candidate’s intended career goals related to lab animal science.
- 5) Candidate’s practical experience with lab animals used in research, education, training, or testing before or while attaining an academic education.

In addition, the candidate must submit a letter or recommendation from the appropriate institutional official to validate the candidate’s letter.

Applicants who do not address the specific qualifications listed above or who do not submit a recommendation letter may not be considered.

The deadline for applications is May 1st.