



AST Education Department: Big Jim Youth Awards

We will begin taking applications for the 2016-17 Big Jim Youth Awards on January 1, 2017. High school **seniors** of both genders within the 50 United States are eligible to apply for these awards for the 2016-2017 school year. Applications will be accepted from January 1 to March 31, 2017 by US mail or email, official transcripts must be mailed. The official application form will be available in January 2017 at www.astribe.com under the Education Department. The \$1,000.00 award is in the form of a scholarship to the college or university where the award recipient will attend for the fall 2017 semester. The scholarship **must be used for the fall 2017 semester.**

We will begin accepting applications for the following awards:

- Big Jim Academic Achievement Award (Male and Female)
- Big Jim Athlete of the Year (Male and Female)

Individuals are encouraged to nominate deserving high school seniors. You may nominate yourself. Please refer to the application for required documents. Eligible nominations will be judged by a panel of (non-AST) experts assembled specifically for this purpose. The intent is to bring together an unbiased group of experts to evaluate the applicants in an impartial and unbiased environment. Their decisions are final with respect to all matters concerning these awards. **Awards will be announced in May 2017.**

We encourage ALL Absentee Shawnee High School Seniors to apply.

Award recipients will be recognized as the 2016-2017 Big Jim Academic Achievement Award winner or the Big Jim Athlete of the Year. In addition to this recognition the award recipients will receive a **\$1,000.00** scholarship to be used towards their education and the advancement of their career.

Questions on these awards program should be addressed to:

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