National Merit Scholarship Corporation

- National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) was created in 1955 as a privately supported, 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization that receives no government assistance.

- NMSC’s mission is to recognize and honor the academically talented students of the United States.
• National Merit® Scholars receive the highest academic honor attainable by high school students of the United States

• Over 423,000 scholarships worth over $1.7 billion have been awarded through NMSC to date

• The majority of scholarships are financed by independent sponsors, including corporations, company foundations, and businesses
NMSC administers scholarship programs for corporate sponsors.

**Services include:**

- Providing suggestions for publicizing scholarship programs
- Identifying candidates and processing applications
- Selecting scholarship winners
- Assisting with Scholar announcements
- Providing certificates to present to scholarship winners
- Distributing scholarship payments to Scholars through colleges/universities
- Monitoring and reporting on the progress of Scholars pursuing undergraduate degrees
Benefits of Sponsorship

Benefits include:

- Promote goodwill/philanthropy
- Improve employee morale
- Foster loyalty among employees
- Initiate promising relationships between companies and students
- Identify potential recruits for internships and employment

NMSC handles all administrative aspects of corporate scholarship programs

All funds provided by sponsors are used entirely for scholarships and are 100% tax-deductible contributions
Scholarship Program Options

**Options include:**

- Candidate qualifications that match sponsor interests
  - Children of employees
  - Students pursuing specific majors and/or career interests
  - Residents of areas/communities
- Number of awards
- Scholarship amounts
- Name of awards
Scholarship Program Costs

All sponsor payments to NMSC are used exclusively for scholarships.

- No administrative fees
  - In lieu of administrative fees, sponsors contribute a nominal grant per scholarship which is used to underwrite additional scholarships
- No additional costs
Corporate Sponsors you may know...
Please join NMSC in recognizing the academically talented students of the United States and encouraging them to continue their success and to meet their full potential.

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