



# Applicant Rating Criteria

#	Documents	Criteria	Range of Points	Points Awarded
1	<b>Official Transcript</b> Sub-Total: 15 pts.	1.1 GPA improved while in JAG	0 1 2 3 4 5	
		1.2 Attendance improved while in JAG	0 1 2 3 4 5	
		1.3 Enrolled in career related, advanced placement (AP) and/or International Baccalaureate (IB) courses in high school	0 1 2 3 4 5	
2	<b>Leadership Activities and Recognition</b> Sub-Total: 25 pts.	2.1 Leadership role in the JAG Career Association	0 1 2 3 4 5	
		2.2 Evidence of leadership, responsibility and commitment	0 1 2 3 4 5	
		2.3 Number and variety of leadership roles and activities in JAG and other organizations	0 1 2 3 4 5	
		2.4 Awards and recognition received	0 2 4 6 8 10	
3	<b>Community Involvement</b> The JAG expectation is a <u>minimum</u> of 12 hours of Community Service per year Sub-Total: 15 pts.	3.1 Estimated total number of community service hours committed by applicant: _____ hours	0 1 2 3 4 5	
		3.2 Evidence of the quality of the community service activities in which the applicant was involved.	0 1 2 3 4 5	
		3.3 Evidence of the impact of the community services conducted by the JAG Career Association Chapter.	0 1 2 3 4 5	
4	<b>Reference Letters</b> Sub-Total: 20 pts.	4.1 Reference Letter #1: Specific examples of applicant's academic capabilities and achievements	0 1 2 3 4 5	
		4.2 Reference Letter #2: Specific examples of applicant's leadership capabilities and activities	0 1 2 3 4 5	
		4.3 Reference Letter #3: Specific examples of applicant's job/career readiness and employment experience and performance	0 2 4 6 8 10	
5	<b>Applicant's Essay</b> Sub-Total: 25 pts.	5.1 Extent to which the applicant explains the three reasons he/she enrolled in the JAG program and the biggest lesson learned from his/her Specialist.	0 1 2 3 4 5	
		5.2 Extent to which the applicant explains his/her personal story and what lessons were learned from his/her challenges in life.	0 2 4 6 8 10	
		5.3 Extent to which the applicant explains the reason he/she picked his/her career pathway and why he/she feels the educational institution picked will help make the most progress toward his/her career goal.	0 1 2 3 4 5	
		5.4 Extent to which the applicant explains his/her commitment to JAG to uphold the responsibilities of a Smith Scholar by achieving his/her career goal and helping others who need a boost to achieve his/her academic and career goals.	0 1 2 3 4 5	
<b>TOTAL POINTS ASSIGNED—100 POINTS MAXIMUM</b>				