

# SlyeStrong#6 Scholar-Athlete Award



**SLYESTRONG #6**

FOUNDATION

Scholarship - Awareness - Community

**Andrew John “AJ” Slye was a 2012 graduate of North Stafford High School. A favorite amongst his classmates and teachers, AJ was a great student and a tenacious athlete on the baseball diamond and football field. He was a young man with strong character, piercing blue eyes, and an infectious smile. Upon returning home from his first semester at Salisbury University, AJ was diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia (AML), a form of blood cell cancer. His fight to beat cancer began at the University of Virginia Hospital, transitioned to John’s Hopkins Hospital and unfortunately ended on February 27, 2014 at the St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital. Over 14 months, multiple rounds of chemotherapy, radiation and a bone marrow transplant reduced AJ’s body from a strong, fit football player to a thin, battle-weary shell of a young man. But the cancer did not touch this warrior’s heart which steadily grew stronger. Through every setback he faced, his trust and faith in God became deeper, and his resolve became ever-increasing. His spirit and that infectious smile incredibly united and inspired an entire community.**

**The SlyeStrong#6 Foundation has been established in loving memory and honor of Andrew “AJ” Slye who is a testament to us all regarding how to endure and enlighten in the face of hardship.**

**Our mission** is to serve as a catalyst to find a cure for cancer, to give back to the communities who came together whole-heartedly in spirit, love, and hope to strengthen the fight for life, and to be a platform for all who have lost loved ones to cancer.

**Our purpose** is to bring alive the fight to find a cure for adult/childhood cancer, to raise community awareness, and to respond to the community in times of need.

**Our goals** are to:

1. Provide academic scholarships to graduating seniors in each of the five (5) Stafford County Public Schools and at least one (1) scholarship to a graduating senior from Stafford County Public Schools, Spotsylvania County Public Schools or Fredericksburg City Public Schools who has been immediately impacted by cancer.
2. Meet immediate community needs to alleviate hardship and promote a positive outlook
3. Raise money in support of medical research
4. Promote awareness of cancer and opportunities to help
5. Provide comfort to those living with cancer

**Our vision** is to honor and remember AJ by supporting the fight to cure cancer through heightened community outreach, God’s strength, and pure perseverance.

**[SlyeStrong6foundation.org](http://SlyeStrong6foundation.org)**

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### **Who is Eligible:**

- Be a graduating senior at North Stafford, Mountain View, Colonial Forge, Stafford, or Brooke Point High Schools in Stafford County. One scholarship will be awarded at **each** high school.
- Will attend a full-time accredited 4-year college or university in the fall of 2020.
- Have a GPA of 3.5 or higher.
- Earned a letter at least two (2) consecutive years in a single varsity sport.  
(Family Members of the SlyeStrong#6 Foundation Board are not eligible.)

**Amount:** up to \$2,000.00 sent to the college or university the applicant will be attending.

**Application Deadline:** February 14, 2020

**Submit Application to:** Applicant's High School Counseling Center

**Selection Process:** All applications will first be evaluated by the applicants' high school's scholarship committee. The top 5 applications from each school will then be sent to the SlyeStrong#6 Scholarship Committee for the final award.

### **Required Documents:** Checklist

- Completed Application Page
- Two (2)** completed Scholarship Recommendation Forms, attesting to the applicant's character from a school official, teacher, coach, and/or from a community leader (minister, scoutmaster, employer, volunteer sponsor )
- Two (2)** Essays (no more than 800 words each) – In your own words,
  1. Describe how you have achieved excellence in academics while participating in varsity athletics. (You may want to discuss your motives, fulfillments, values that shape your character).
  2. Describe your strengths. (Focus on 2 or more of the following categories: perseverance, leadership, humility, compassion)
- LIFE MOTTO.** In a few words, write a motto for your life.
- Copy of your School Transcript
- List of Extra-Curricular Activities
- List of Honors, Awards, and/or Leadership Positions

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**Application Page**

**Personal Information:**

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Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

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Street Address

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City

State

Zip code

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E-mail Address

Telephone Number

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List the colleges or universities to which you have applied

**Principal/Counselor Certification**

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Printed name

Signature

Date

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Title

Telephone

School Name

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Class Size

Grading Scale

GPA

SAT/ACT scores

Class Ranking

**Coach Certification**

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Printed name

Signature

Date

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Title

Telephone

School Name

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Sport

Number of years participated

Dates Varsity letter Awarded

**Scholarship Recommendation Form for \_\_\_\_\_**

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**Reference:** Complete this recommendation for and return it to the applicant in a sealed envelope with your name written across the sealed portion of the envelope. Return to the student prior to the deadline date.

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<b>Attendance/Reliability</b> <i>Class or work attendance/dependability</i>						
<b>Attitude/Compassion</b> <i>Relationship with others/humility</i>						
<b>Communication Skills</b> <i>Ability to express ideas</i>						
<b>Leadership</b> <i>Ability to lead and motivate others</i>						
<b>Character</b> <i>Judgment and integrity</i>						
<b>Motivation</b> <i>Initiative, resourcefulness, self-starter</i>						
<b>Perseverance</b> <i>Overcomes adversity/determination</i>						

**Comments Recommended:** (If you need additional space, please feel free to use the back of this sheet or attach a separate page)

**Reference Name:**

**Title/Relationship:**

**How long have you known the applicant?**

**e-mail:**

**Reference Signature:**

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