

**Alabama Independent School Association
Blue Ribbon Award**

The Alabama Independent School Association has been steadfast in its efforts since 1970 to maintain an organization of independently operated non-public schools that are rich in diversity, committed to academic excellence, and deeply concerned about the growth and development of children and youth.

For more than 20 years, the AISA has recognized those outstanding independent schools that exemplify excellence in instruction, staff development, academic performance, student life, leadership and community interaction through the AISA Blue Ribbon Award program.

In order to qualify as a Blue Ribbon Award recipient, AISA member schools must meet the following criteria.

- Complete the application for the AISA President's Award and achieve the following points based on your school's classification:

K-8 Schools – 400 Points

1A – 950 Points

2A – 1,000 Points

3A – 1,050 Points

- No major accreditation or athletic (AISA or AHSAA) sanctions have been placed on the school within the last twelve months. *Note: Severity of accreditation and athletic sanctions will be determined by the AISA office.
- The head of school must be a dues paying member of the AISA Headmaster's Association
- The school's Student Government Association (SGA) must be a dues paying member of the AISA SGA

The Blue Ribbon Award will be determined in June of each year, alongside the President's Award, for the previous school year.

Other than the submission of the President's Award application, no other documentation is required to apply for the Blue Ribbon Award, unless the AISA office specifically request more information related to accreditation or athletic sanctions.

Once the Blue Ribbon Award recipients have been determined, a press release will be sent to each school and the state media outlets, and schools will receive their awards during the AISA Annual meeting in July, unless otherwise stated.