

PURPOSE:

The Student Sage Award is a recognition program allowing your secondary school to honor outstanding juniors from your school community. Recipients of the award will receive a certificate of nomination. Russell Sage College will provide information to honor the nominees at your school’s honors/graduation ceremony. In addition, we will provide your office with a press release for your local newspaper. **In addition to our generous merit scholarships, recipients of the award will receive a \$1,000 additional scholarship, certificate of nomination, and a VIP invite to Sage Engage — a free, half-day conference for high school students.**

CRITERIA:

A school may select students from the junior class (Class of 2026) who embody Russell Sage College’s motto:

“Be. Know. Do.”

Be

Candidates should be academic and social leaders who:

- Make the school an exciting, creative, and engaging place to learn
- Make our community stronger
- Possess powerful communication skills

Know

Candidates should be top academic achievers who:

- Have maintained a B average (or better) in their academic coursework. (Math, Science, History, English, and Language)

Do

Candidates should put their knowledge into action and be a student who is:

- Involved in the community
- Able to balance numerous activities with enthusiasm and leadership
- Devoted to leading the school/community in ways that improve the community’s wellbeing, growth, and communication
- Motivated to serve and inspire others to develop and grow

PROCEDURE:

1. A school counselor and/or school scholarship nomination committee may select nominees by **April 15, 2025**. Early nominations are heavily encouraged.

To nominate a candidate, please have the following information available and submit electronically:

- School contact information
- Nominee’s contact information, student’s GPA, academic and extracurricular interests, honors, and awards



2. All confirmed nominees will receive a certificate by **May 30, 2025**.
3. Please be advised that names on certificates will be printed exactly as they were submitted.



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