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“Living the Dream” Scholarship Application

With funding from an anonymous private donor, The Ed. Fund is proud to offer 2 \$2,500 scholarships to two WCCUSD High School seniors who will graduate in June 2008, in the fall 2008 will attend a 4 year public or private college/university or a 2-year community college with plans to transfer to a 4-year college/university, and have financial need.

SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS: PLEASE READ THESE REQUIREMENTS VERY CAREFULLY: Your application will be disqualified if you do not comply with ALL of the requirements below.

To apply for this scholarship, you must:

1. Have a minimum of 3.0 GPA in core curriculum subjects throughout 4 years of high school.
2. Verify financial need by completing the Financial Information Form included with this application.
3. Provide an up-to-date High School transcript. Make sure to include your most recent SAT scores.
4. Provide 2 letters of recommendation written on the attached forms.
 - Letter of Recommendation Form A: from one of your core subject teachers.
 - Letter of Recommendation Form B: from another adult who knows you well and can describe your qualifications for this scholarship.
6. Type or replicate on the computer all responses to the essay questions on page 2.
7. Include 4 copies + 1 original of your completed application. Collate and staple each copy and the original.
8. Make sure you apply correct postage to your application packet and that your application packet does NOT require a signature from The Ed .Fund to be delivered.
9. Send your completed application to The Ed. Fund at 5 Alvarado Square, San Pablo, CA 94806

postmarked no later than Friday, March 7, 2008.

Late applications will not be considered.

Your name (please print): _____

Address: _____

City _____ Zip _____ Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Are you an emancipated minor? _____ No _____ Yes

Your parent's/guardian's name (please print) unless you are an emancipated minor:: _____

Parent's/Guardian's work phone: (_____) _____ Home Phone: _____

What colleges/universities or technical schools have you applied to? _____

Have you already been accepted to any colleges/universities? _____ If yes, which one(s)? _____

List the extra-curricular activities (including sports & service activities) you have participated in during high school:

REQUIRED ESSAYS

<p>DIRECTIONS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. State your ideas clearly.2. Use complete sentences.3. Make sure your spelling and punctuation are correct.4. Proofread your essays carefully.5. Attach your typewritten essays on a separate sheet. Handwritten answers will not be accepted.6. Do Not make your essays any shorter or longer than the indicated number of words.
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1. **Write an essay (300 - 350 words) in which you answer the following questions:**

- What are your career goal(s) as you embark on your college education?

2. **Write an essay (450 - 500 words) in response to the following questions:**

- What particular difficulties have you faced?
- How have you overcome these difficulties?
- What did you learn from these difficulties?

Student's signature

Date

Parent's/Guardian's signature unless you are an emancipated minor

Date

Letter of Recommendation Form A
[from a core curriculum High School Teacher]

*Rather than a formal letter of recommendation, please complete the following form in time for the scholarship applicant to include your Letter of Recommendation Form with his/her application, which is due postmarked to The Ed. Fund no later than **Friday, March 7, 2008**. If you do not complete your recommendation form on time, the student's application will be disqualified.*

Student's name: _____

Your name: _____

Day phone: _____

Email: _____

Class(es) in which this applicant was/is your student: _____

Grade(s) student received: _____

How long have you known this student? _____

Describe this student's strengths: _____

Why do you believe this student deserves this scholarship? _____

What else would you like to tell us about this student that indicates he/she is deserving of this scholarship?

Your signature _____

Date: _____

Letter of Recommendation Form B

[from an adult (not including parents, grandparents or siblings) who knows you well]

*Rather than a formal letter of recommendation, please complete the following form in time for the scholarship applicant to include your Letter of Recommendation Form with his/her application, which is due postmarked to The Ed. Fund no later than **Friday, March 7, 2008**. If you do not complete your recommendation form on time, the student's application will be disqualified.*

Student's name: _____

Your name: _____

Your address: _____

Day phone: Number _____ Street _____ City _____ Zip _____
Fax: _____ Email: _____

How long have you known this student? _____

In what capacity have you known this student? _____

Describe this student's strengths: _____

Why do you believe this student deserves this scholarship? _____

What else would you like to tell us about this student that indicates he/she is deserving of this scholarship?

Your signature _____

Date: _____

6. Number of dependents: _____ Ages of dependents: _____

7. Do you rent _____ or own _____ your home? (Check one.) If you rent, what is your monthly rent expense? _____

8. If you own your home, what is your monthly mortgage expense? _____

9. Are you receiving federal or state assistance? _____ If yes, what kind: _____

10. If you are not receiving any assistance but still believe you have financial hardships that qualify your student or you as an emancipated minor for a scholarship, please explain these hardships: _____

By signing this application, I agree that the above information is correct.

Signatures of all parents/guardians responsible for this student:

Date: _____

Signature of emancipated minor (if applicable): _____

Date: _____