

GEBA Foundation VOCATIONAL Scholarship Application 2010-2011

For awards to be granted for the academic year **2010-2011**. Students may apply for only one of the following scholarship award categories:

Academic (up to 9 awards)

Applicants will be considered on the basis of their academic performance through scholarly work, standardized test scores, activities and interests in support of academic goals, and effective articulation of his or her case.

This is a highly competitive category! Recipients of the Academic Award in past years have earned weighted high school GPAs often far exceeding 4.0. We saw a 4.9 out of a 4.0 last year! College scores are equally competitive with most recipients earning 3.8 or above. Their SAT scores are often a combined 2150 or above. Many are Maryland Distinguished Scholars or AP Scholars. Accomplishment and drive in their chosen field as evidenced in their transcripts, accomplishments, and teacher's recommendations are key criteria.

Community (up to 9 awards)

Applicants with solid academic performance and dedicated commitment to extracurricular or community activities will be considered for this award. Students will be evaluated on factors including their accomplishment, leadership, and demonstrated commitment to both community and scholarship.

Past recipients of the Community Award have had amazing records. With GPAs often above 3.8, these students also have been newspaper editors, volunteer EMTs, varsity athletes, crisis counselors, and playwrights. Some have volunteered for over 200 hours and some have recruited 30 new volunteers for charitable work. While each is unique, each has a significant level of accomplishment both in and out of the classroom.

Vocational (up to 2 awards)

Students pursuing a vocational program or an associate's degree that results in a terminal degree are candidates for this scholarship. We consider your academic performance, extracurricular and work experience, and commitment to your goal.

Students meeting these criteria are encouraged to compete with their peers for the Vocational Award. While students in certificate and associates programs have always been welcome to compete for the other two award classes, GEBA is highlighting this category to increase its visibility and encourage participation.

Additional Information:

Financial need is not a factor in award eligibility. Award decisions are final and are made at the discretion of the GEBA Foundation. GEBA contracts with an outside company to select winners so that all decisions are in the hands of an impartial third party. Award decisions may require verification of qualifying college enrollment. Minimum standards may be applied in any award category, and total number of awards given is at the sole discretion of GEBA. Students may reapply in subsequent years for a maximum of four awards total from any GEBA Foundation Scholarship. Each subsequent application should show new progress and accomplishments to compete!

Completed Applications include the following:

- Completed, signed application form;
- Academic transcript(s);
- Requested reference(s);
- Test score report, if applicable.

Application Deadline: **Wednesday, March 31, 2010.** Completed applications must be:

- 1) Postmarked by 3/31/10; or
- 2) Received in the GEBA office by 4pm on 3/31/10.

Award Notification: June 2010

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APPLICATION AND ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS ARE DUE BY **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31, 2010**

GEBA Foundation Scholarship
P.O. Box 206
Annapolis Junction, MD 20701

The P.O. Box does not accept
UPS or FedEx shipments.

TO BE CONSIDERED ON-TIME, YOUR APPLICATION AND
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE GEBA
OFFICE BY 4PM ON 3/31/10 OR POSTMARKED BY 3/31/10.

Only completed applications will be considered.

Type or print neatly in blue or black ink.

1. PERSONAL DATA

NAME (LAST, FIRST, MI) _____ PHONE (____) _____ - _____
ADDRESS _____ EMAIL _____
SPONSORING GEBA MEMBER NAME _____ RELATIONSHIP _____

2. SCHOLARSHIP TYPE

 YOU HAVE ELECTED TO APPLY FOR THE FOLLOWING SCHOLARSHIP:

- VOCATIONAL** DEMONSTRATED COMMITMENT TO DESIRED FIELD OF STUDY/WORK IS PRIME CONSIDERATION
EACH APPLICATION IS EVALUATED IN ITS ENTIRETY. PLEASE COMPLETE THE ENTIRE APPLICATION.

3. EDUCATION

 (COMPLETE HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION AND HIGHER EDUCATION OR TRAINING)

HIGH SCHOOL NAME _____ CITY, STATE _____
GRADUATION YEAR _____ **GPA** _____ ON A SCALE OF _____ **CLASS RANK** _____ OUT OF _____
WEIGHTED GPAs ARE ACCEPTABLE; PLEASE INDICATE THE WEIGHTED MAXIMUM
SAT REASONING **VERBAL** _____ **MATH** _____ **WRITING** _____ **--OR-- ACT COMPOSITE** _____
(IF EXAMS TAKEN - SINCE JANUARY 2004) (CRITICAL READING) (IF TAKEN)
COLLEGE / INSTITUTION _____ CITY, STATE _____
DATES ATTENDED _____ **GPA** _____ ON A SCALE OF _____
DEGREE EXPECTED, YEAR _____ **MAJOR** _____
OTHER COLLEGE / INST _____ CITY, STATE _____
DATES ATTENDED _____ **GPA** _____ ON A SCALE OF _____
DEGREE EXPECTED, YEAR _____ **MAJOR** _____

PLEASE DESCRIBE THE VALUE YOU FOUND IN A PARTICULAR COURSE RELEVANT TO YOUR DESIRED FIELD OF STUDY.

PLEASE ENCLOSE YOUR MOST RECENT **HIGH SCHOOL OR COLLEGE TRANSCRIPT**. SUBMIT A COPY OF YOUR **STANDARDIZED TEST SCORES** IF YOU HAVE TAKEN THEM. ALSO, PLEASE SUBMIT A **LETTER OF REFERENCE FROM AN INSTRUCTOR** FAMILIAR WITH YOUR RECENT WORK. IT MAY BE ENCLOSED OR MAILED DIRECTLY TO THE ADDRESS AT THE TOP OF THIS PAGE.

3. FUTURE PLANS • WE WOULD LIKE TO GAIN SOME PERSPECTIVE ON YOUR GOALS AND INTERESTS.

WHAT YEAR OF HIGHER EDUCATION WILL YOU BE IN FOR 2009-2010? (FRESHMAN, SOPH, OTHER) _____

WHAT MAJOR DO YOU INTEND TO PURSUE? IF UNDECLARED, PLEASE LIST THE FIELD(S) YOU ARE CONSIDERING. _____

PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR MOTIVATION TO PURSUE THIS FIELD. PLEASE INDICATE WHETHER YOU HAVE WORK OR EXTRACURRICULAR INVOLVEMENT SUPPORTING YOUR INTEREST. _____

IF YOU ARE A HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR, PLEASE LIST YOUR INTENDED COLLEGE OR COLLEGES BEING CONSIDERED. _____

NAME: _____

4. EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

PLEASE USE THE SPACE BELOW TO DESCRIBE THREE MOST MEANINGFUL ACTIVITIES. THESE MAY INCLUDE ATHLETICS, CLUBS, SOCIETIES, SCOUTING, OR OTHER ORGANIZATIONS. FOR "ROLE", PLEASE LIST WHETHER YOU WERE AN OFFICER, CAPTAIN, OR OTHER LEADER WITHIN THE GROUP. IT IS HELPFUL TO SEE YOUR LEVEL OF PARTICIPATION, LEADERSHIP & ACCOMPLISHMENT IN YOUR RESPONSE.

ORGANIZATION _____ **ROLE** _____
 DATES OF INVOLVEMENT FROM _____ TO _____
 KEY ACCOMPLISHMENT (BE SPECIFIC) _____

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5. COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY SERVICE

PLEASE DESCRIBE HOW YOU HAVE PROVIDED SERVICE TO YOUR COMMUNITY (NEIGHBORHOOD, STUDENTS, CHARITABLE GROUPS, ETC.). WHOM HAVE YOU HELPED, AND HOW HAS IT BEEN SIGNIFICANT? PLEASE GIVE ONE OR TWO SPECIFIC EXAMPLES. INCLUDE DATES AND RELEVANT DETAILS IN YOUR EXAMPLES TO SHOW YOUR LEVEL OF COMMITMENT, LONGEVITY, AND THE IMPACT OF YOUR CONTRIBUTION.

6. TRAITS FOR SUCCESS

PLEASE DESCRIBE ONE OF YOUR PERSONAL TRAITS OR QUALITIES THAT YOU EXPECT TO SERVE YOU WELL IN YOUR CHOSEN FIELD OF STUDY AND WORK. PLEASE GIVE A SPECIFIC EXAMPLE OF HOW YOU HAVE USED THIS TRAIT IN YOUR EXPERIENCE ALREADY. INCLUDE DATES AND RELEVANT DETAILS TO HELP ILLUSTRATE THE EXAMPLE. _____

NAME: _____

7. LEADERSHIP

HOW HAVE YOU BEEN A ROLE MODEL TO OTHERS WHO MAY BE INTERESTED IN PURSUING YOUR FIELD OF STUDY? PLEASE GIVE A SPECIFIC EXAMPLE OF HOW YOU HAVE MODELED EXEMPLARY PERFORMANCE IN YOUR ACADEMICS OR WORK.

8. PART-TIME OR SUMMER WORK

IF YOU HAVE HELD A JOB, PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR WORK. IT IS HELPFUL TO SEE YOUR LEVEL OF RESPONSIBILITY AND WHY THIS WORK IS IMPORTANT TO YOU.

EMPLOYER _____ NAME OF SUPERVISOR _____

ADDRESS _____

POSITION _____ DATES OF EMPLOYMENT: FROM _____ TO _____

PLEASE LIST THE TOP ONE OR TWO THINGS YOU LEARNED FROM THIS WORK. _____

EMPLOYER _____ NAME OF SUPERVISOR _____

ADDRESS _____

POSITION _____ DATES OF EMPLOYMENT: FROM _____ TO _____

PLEASE LIST THE TOP ONE OR TWO THINGS YOU LEARNED FROM THIS WORK. _____

IF YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR EMPLOYMENT CONSIDERED AS A SIGNIFICANT PART OF YOUR APPLICATION, PLEASE SUBMIT A LETTER OF REFERENCE FROM YOUR **CURRENT OR MOST RECENT EMPLOYER**.

REFERENCES MAY BE ENCLOSED WITH YOUR APPLICATION OR MAILED DIRECTLY TO THE ADDRESS LISTED AT THE TOP OF THE APPLICATION.

9. CHECKLIST

IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE GEBA FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP, ALL MATERIALS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY MARCH 31, 2010. PLEASE USE THE FOLLOWING CHECKLIST TO CONFIRM THE COMPLETION OF YOUR APPLICATION. PLEASE CONSIDER THAT A NEATLY WRITTEN AND CAREFULLY EDITED DOCUMENT WILL BE IMPORTANT IN THIS EVALUATION AS IT IS IN ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL WORK.

VOCATIONAL APPLICANTS:

_____ APPLICATION COMPLETE AND SIGNED _____ LETTER OF REFERENCE FROM INSTRUCTOR

_____ MOST RECENT TRANSCRIPT (MAY BE A COPY OF OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT) _____ LETTER OF REFERENCE FOR WORK (OPTIONAL)

_____ COPY OF COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAM SCORE REPORT (IF AVAILABLE)

10. SIGNATURE

I HAVE PREPARED THIS APPLICATION MYSELF, AND I AFFIRM THAT THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN IT IS CORRECT AND COMPLETE. I UNDERSTAND THAT GEBA SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION, INC. WILL MAKE SCHOLARSHIP DECISIONS AT ITS DISCRETION, AND THERE ARE NO APPEALS TO ITS DECISIONS.

I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT, IF SELECTED, I WILL NEED TO SUPPLY EVIDENCE OF ENROLLMENT IN AN ELIGIBLE EDUCATION INSTITUTION IN ORDER FOR SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS TO BE DISBURSED TO MY INSTITUTION ON MY BEHALF.

I UNDERSTAND THAT RECIPIENTS OF THE SCHOLARSHIP MAY REAPPLY IN FUTURE YEARS FOR A MAXIMUM OF 4 YEARS OF BENEFITS.

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____