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## New Student Application Instructions

2011–2012 School Year

(application deadline – June 29, 2012)

Partner  
Community  
Organizations

Tacoma  
Branch  
NAACP

Tacoma  
Pierce  
County  
Black  
Collective

Prince Hall  
Masons,  
Washington

Tacoma  
Ministerial  
Alliance

Tacoma  
Urban  
League  
Guild

Tacoma  
Urban  
League, Inc.

### I. APPLICATION QUALIFICATIONS – Each applicant:

- A. **Must be an African American male or female student** who is a U.S. citizen and is currently enrolled in the **9th, 10th, or 11th** grade at a junior or senior public high school in one of the following school districts in Tacoma/Pierce County: **Bethel, Clover Park, Franklin Pierce, Puyallup, Steilacoom, Tacoma, or University Place.**
- B. Must have earned a cumulative grade point average of 2.50 or better at the end of the 2011–2012 academic school year.
- C. Must write a well-structured, well-researched essay of at least 250 words on the subject: “What are your life plans/goals for the future and how are you going to achieve them?”

### II. APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS – Each applicant must submit to the Awards Committee:

- A. A certified copy of his/her transcripts reflecting final grades of the 2011–2012 academic year.
- B. A completed PERSONAL / SCHOOL INFORMATION FORM containing statements about his/her involvement in school activities; participation in community activities and organizations; receipt of any awards, certificates or special recognition; future educational/career goals; and church affiliation, if applicable.
- C. THREE (3) letters of recommendation: (a) ONE from applicant’s parent/guardian; (b) ONE from a school staff person, and (c) ONE from a community representative (for example: clergy, employer, youth group leader, etc.).

III. EVALUATION CRITERIA – **Each applicant will be evaluated on:**

- A. The quality of his/her school transcripts and grade point average in the specific areas of Mathematics, Science and English.
- B. The degree to which he/she is involved in school activities.
- C. The scope of his/her involvement in community activities (for example: any volunteer work at church and/or community based organization).
- D. The content of his/her letters of recommendation.
- E. The content of his/her essay.

IV. INCENTIVE AWARDS

- A. The ELIZABETH WESLEY YOUTH INCENTIVE AWARDS COMMITTEE will give each award winner THREE HUNDRED FIFTY (\$350.00) DOLLARS.
- B. The Awards Committee will present the award directly to the student for his/her use.
- C. **Award winners must participate in recipient orientation** (August 22, 2012).
- D. **Award winners must attend the awards ceremony** (September 15, 2012).

To be eligible for consideration, applicants must submit all required documents listed in A, B and C of Section II (Applicant Requirements) above to the **Awards Committee** no later than **Friday, June 29, 2012**. Applications received or postmarked after the closing date will be returned.

**Completion of the application process does not guarantee an award. Awards will be limited by the financial resources of the program.**

**I agree to have the following Elizabeth Wesley sponsoring organizations send me information on academic enrichment opportunities and scholarship awards:** Tacoma Branch NAACP; Tacoma-Pierce County Black Collective; Prince Hall Masons, Washington; Tacoma Ministerial Alliance; Tacoma Urban League Guild; Tacoma Urban League, Inc.

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**Mail Completed Applications to:**

Elizabeth Wesley Awards Committee  
PO Box 110667  
Tacoma, WA 98411

Student(s) may hand-deliver their applications to the Tacoma Urban League.  
Phone (voicemail only) (253) 220-5034 for further information or email to [ewesley.org@gmail.com](mailto:ewesley.org@gmail.com), information also available at [www.ewesleyaward.org](http://www.ewesleyaward.org).

**Personal Information**

*Please be sure to let us know if any of the contact information below changes!*

Name (First, MI, Last):	Date of Birth:
Home Address:	U.S. Citizen: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
City, State, Zip:	African-American: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Name of Parent/Guardian:	Home Phone:
E-mail of Parent/Guardian:	Student E-mail:
<b>Educational Information</b>	
Name of Current School:	Grade Level: (2011–12)
Address:	
City, State, Zip:	Phone:
Name of Counselor:	

Are you a previous award winner?  No  Yes If yes, what year(s) \_\_\_\_\_

**Questions:**

*Please answer the following questions using additional sheets of paper for your response.*

- 1. List two (2) of your favorite school activities in which you participated during the 2011–12 academic year, and tell how each helped you become a better student.**
- 2. Describe two (2) volunteer services which you performed during the past school year (church or any community-based organization), and tell who benefited from your services.**
- 3. List any awards, certificates or special recognition during the past year. Tell what they were and why you received each.**
- 4. Briefly discuss your educational goals and your career plans.**

**Enclosure Check-Off List**

(Please verify by initials and do not mark in the shaded area.)

Items	Applicant	EWC	Letters of Recommendation	Applicant	EWC
Application			Parent/Guardian		
Essay			School Staff Person		
Transcript Letter Submitted			Community Representative (For example: Clergy, Employer, Youth Group Leader		
Applicant's Signature:			Date:		