



## Continuing 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 have received an award for the previous school year. **Must be an African American male or female student** who is a U.S. citizen and who is currently enrolled and who has completed the **10th** or **11th** grade at a public senior 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 maintained or exceeded the cumulative grade point average achieved during the previous academic school year (2010–2011).
- C. Must provide evidence of his/her ability to master mathematics, science and English at a level equal to or exceeding his/her previous academic school year (2010–2011) grade point average.
- D. 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. An updated copy of the 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 transcript and the extent to which it reflects an improvement in the previous year's grade point average in Mathematics, Science and English courses.
- 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 **Sunday, 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:		