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TO: Applying Student

RE: The Washington Counties Scholarship Application
Five \$3,000 Washington Counties Scholarships

To be considered, you must submit the following:

- A *signed* and completed scholarship application.
- A *separate* sheet listing activities, honors and awards.
- *Two* letters of recommendation which must be signed.
- A personal statement (limit 300 words).
- A sealed transcript of your most recent grades.
- *NO PICTURES, PLEASE.*

Completed applications must be **postmarked no later than Friday, April 2, 2010**. Awards will be made in **early May of 2009 for the 2010/11 school year**.

Send your completed application to:

**The Washington Counties Scholarship Fund
206 Tenth Avenue SE
Olympia WA 98501-1311**

Good Luck!

WASHINGTON COUNTIES SCHOLARSHIP FUND

2010/11 Scholarship Application

Five scholarships in the amount of \$3,000 each will be awarded to eligible children of county employees and elected officials by the Washington Counties Scholarship Fund on behalf of the members of the Washington Association of County Officials (WACO) and the Washington State Association of Counties (WSAC). Recipients must be full-time students in a baccalaureate degree, associate degree, or vocational/technical certification program. Eligible students are defined on the reverse side of this form.

I. Please type or print clearly:

Name: _____

Current Address: _____

E-mail: _____

Phone: _____

Permanent Address: _____

Phone: _____

County of Residence: _____

Birthdate: _____

High School Attended: _____

Cumulative GPA: _____

College most recently attended
(if applicable): _____

Cumulative GPA: _____

Year in school for 2010/11:

Freshman

Sophomore

Junior

Senior

Certification

Names of Parents: _____

Phone: _____

Name of Parent(s) employed by County: _____

County where Parent is employed: _____

Department: _____

Work phone: _____

2. Please list the following on a separate sheet:

● School and Community Activities/Involvement (include dates)

● Honors and Awards (include dates)

3. To complete your scholarship application, you must submit **two** letters of recommendation which must be signed; a personal statement discussing your academic goals and expectations (limit 300 words); and a **sealed** transcript from the high school or college you are currently attending. The packet must be postmarked and mailed no later than Friday, April 2, 2010. We suggest that you submit the required materials as a group. If letters or recommendations arrive separately, it is your responsibility to ensure that they are received by the deadline. If the packet is incomplete by this deadline you will be eliminated from consideration. Letters of recommendation should be from individuals who are particularly aware and supportive of your academic and leadership capabilities as well as your accomplishments to date and must be signed. Your overall score will be lower if all portions of the application are not complete. The highest number of points is assigned to your personal statement; you should compose it with this in mind. **NO PICTURES, PLEASE.** Forward your materials to the Washington Counties Scholarship Fund c/o Washington Counties Building, 206 10th Ave SE, Olympia, WA 98501. Please note that applications will not be retained nor returned by the Committee.

Student's Signature

Date

DEFINITIONS

Eligible Applicants are "children of county employees (including children of all elected officials) who are full-time students in a baccalaureate degree, associate degree, or vocational/technical certification program." (*Bylaws of the Washington Counties Scholarship Fund, Article II, Section 1.*)

"**Eligible Children...DOES NOT INCLUDE** children of the following:

- a. Washington State Association of Counties (WSAC) Executive Committee;
- b. Washington Association of County Officials (WACO) Executive Officers and most recent Past President.
- c. Members of the Scholarship Fund Investment Committee and Selection Committee.
- d. Substantial Contributors, defined as being a member contributing \$1,000 or more in a consecutive two (2) year period.
- e. Other disqualifying individuals as defined by the IRS Code." (*BYLAWS OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTIES SCHOLARSHIP FUND, Article II, Section 5.*)

Full-Time Student is defined according to the criteria for "full-time" as defined by the institution being attended. **Children** as defined by the IRS are "dependent" and does not include emancipated children, spouses, or grandchildren of county employees.

2010/11 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION EVALUATION POINTS

*Category	Possible Points
Honors, awards, leadership	15
Personal statement	25
Personal initiative and family	10
Community and/or school involvement	15
Recommendations	<u>10</u>
	75

* These are guidelines only...

Grade point average is not always a deciding factor