

YWCA Metro St. Louis 2010 Future Leader Award

YWCA Metro St. Louis is an organization committed to empowering women. In support of this mission, YWCA annually recognizes outstanding women in the St. Louis community. The YWCA Leader Awards include recognition of a young woman student as a Future Leader.

The YWCA Future Leader Award is presented to a young woman planning to pursue a post-secondary education upon graduation from high school. The young woman selected must exhibit leadership potential through her involvement in extracurricular activities, community service and academic achievement. She will be honored at (and must attend) YWCA Leader Lunch 30, which will be held at the Millennium Hotel on Thursday, December 2, 2010.

A \$1,500 cash award is presented to the Future Leader in recognition of her achievement.

Future Leader Award Criteria:

1. Student must be a female student who will graduate high school in 2011
2. Student must have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.25 (4.0 scale)

Award Evaluation Factors:

Factors evaluated by the award committee include:

- ★ Academic achievement
- ★ Exceptional high school class rank
- ★ Leadership ability
- ★ Superior essay writing
- ★ Application of special talents
- ★ Involvement in community service
- ★ Involvement in school activities
- ★ Employment history

Application Process:

The following application is three pages long. Be sure to include all required materials and fill out all sections of this application. A completed application packet will include: this application, essays, two letters of recommendation and a high school transcript (including most recently completed quarter). Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Application Deadline:

Friday, April 1, 2010 - Completed application, 3 essays and 2 letters of recommendation - one from each of the following:

- a high school counselor, administrator or teacher
- a community member
- official high school transcript (including most recently completed quarter)

NOTE: Application is incomplete without transcript.

Send Completed Applications and Transcripts to:

YWCA Metro St. Louis
YWCA Development Department - Future Leader Award
3820 West Pine Blvd.
St. Louis, Mo 63108

Phone: (314) 531-1115

Fax: (314) 531-5008

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All of the following items must be completed for consideration. Incomplete applications will not be accepted. All information will be kept confidential. Please be sure to type or print your answers legibly. You may use additional paper if needed. The deadline for applications is Friday, April 1, 2010.

Personal Information		
Name _____		
Last	First	Middle
Address _____		
City/State/Zip _____		
Home Phone _____	Cell Phone _____	
Email _____	Date of Birth _____	Age _____
Parent/Guardian's Name _____		Relationship to Applicant _____
Parent/Guardian's Employer _____	Position _____	
Parent/Guardian's Name _____		Relationship to Applicant _____
Parent/Guardian's Employer _____	Position _____	
Number of people living in your household _____		
<small>(including yourself)</small>		

High School Information		
High School _____		
Address _____		
City/State/Zip _____		
Phone _____	Fax _____	
Grade Point Average _____	GPA Scale _____	Date _____
Class Size _____	Class Rank _____	
High School Counselor Name _____		
<small>(Print or Type)</small>		
High School Counselor Signature _____		
HS Counselor Phone _____	HS Counselor Email _____	

For Official Use Only		
Completed & Signed Application Form	Yes ___ No ___	Date Received _____
Essays	Yes ___ No ___	Deadline for application & attachments – APRIL 1, 2010
Letters of Recommendation		
HS Counselor/Administrator/Teacher	Yes ___ No ___	
Community Member	Yes ___ No ___	
Official High School Transcript	Yes ___ No ___	
<small>(including most recently completed quarter)</small>		
Package Complete	Yes ___ No ___	Application Reviewed by _____

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Please list your extracurricular activities in school. Be sure to include leadership positions.

Activity	Dates of Participation	Office(s) Held

Please list your community involvement. Be sure to include leadership positions.

Organization	Volunteer Role/Activity	Hours Volunteered	Length of Service	High School Credit received? (Y/N)

Please list any academic awards/honors/recognitions/scholarships you have received.

Name of Honor/Award/ Recognition/Scholarship	Year Received	Reason Received

Please list your employment history below. Be sure to include any significant family obligations.

Name of Employer	Job Description	Hours Worked Per Week	Length of Employment

Essay Questions

On a separate piece of paper, write a personal statement to answer the following questions.

1. **What is your greatest accomplishment? How has it affected who you are? How has it affected your life goals?** (Maximum 200 words, typewritten)
2. **Explain why acting as role models and mentors to young women of today and tomorrow is important not only for you, but for all women. Please include your education and career goals.** (Maximum 300 words, typewritten)
3. **Why do you feel you deserve recognition as the YWCA Future Leader for 2010?** (Maximum 100 words, typewritten)

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Please check to ensure that you have completed and included all of the following items in your application packet.

- COMPLETED APPLICATION FORM** (Remember to get your counselor's signature)
- THREE ESSAYS, TYPEWRITTEN** (Essays will be evaluated for writing quality, including grammar, spelling, punctuation and clarity)
- TWO LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION** (One from school counselor/administrator or teacher **and** one from a community member)
- OFFICIAL HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT** (Transcript must include the most recently completed quarter.)

All information above is due to YWCA Metro St. Louis by Friday, April 1, 2010.

Student's Signature _____ *Date* _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature _____ *Date* _____

How did you find out about this award?

Please submit all initial materials (application, essays and letters) together in one complete application package to:

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**COMPLETED APPLICATION PACKAGES ARE DUE NO LATER THAN
FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 2010.**

If you have questions or concerns, please contact YWCA Development Staff at 314.531.1115 or visit our website at www.ywcastlouis.org

Thank you and good luck!