

Better Business Bureau Students of Integrity Scholarship

The Students of Integrity Scholarship offered by BBB Foundation and in conjunction with BBB Business of the Year Torch Awards, is designed to support students who recognize the importance of ethical and responsible marketplace practices.

SCHOLARSHIP: A \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded by BBB Foundation to one student in each state of Western Washington, Oregon and Alaska.

ELIGABILITY: Students who meet the following criteria are eligible to apply

- Attends an accredited high school in Western Washington, Oregon or Alaska
- A student of the 2010 or 2011 graduating class who will be attending college after graduation
- Has a good academic standing and a GPA of 3.5 or higher

THEME: Maintaining ethics and integrity in a tough economy

PROCEDURE:

- Read all instructions carefully
- Thoroughly fill out the application forms, including all required fields and signatures
- Write an essay of 1,000 words or less (no more than 4 pages) discussing maintaining ethics and integrity in a tough economy
- Have a faculty/staff member, counselor, employer or community leader complete the letter of recommendation and corresponding form. Letters of recommendation and form must be returned to the student in a sealed envelope for submission. Must be original, personalized for this essay

All components of the application MUST be submitted at one time. Applications missing information will be deemed incomplete and will not be considered by the judges. No faxed or emailed applications please.

Mail to:

**BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU
Attn: Students of Integrity Scholarship
P.O. Box 1000
DuPont, WA 98327**

E-mail: BBBFoundation@thebbb.org for questions

DEADLINE: Must be postmarked by Tuesday, December 1, 2009

Applications received after this date will not be considered.

Winners will be announced during BBB's Business of the Year Torch Awards banquet in February 2010. Non-winning applicants will not be notified. Please check bbb.org for updates.

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Official Application

Personal Information				
Full Name:				
	<i>Last</i>	<i>First</i>		<i>M.I.</i>
Address:				
	<i>Street Address</i>			<i>Apt/Unit #</i>
	<i>City</i>		<i>State</i>	<i>ZIP Code</i>
Home Phone:	()	Alternate Phone:	()	
E-mail Address:				
Birth Date:				
Education Information				
School Name:				
Address:				
	<i>Street Address</i>			
	<i>City</i>		<i>State</i>	<i>ZIP Code</i>
Primary Phone:	()			
Website:				
Class Standing:	(circle one)	Senior/class of 2010	Junior/class of 2011	GPA:
Signatures				
<i>By signing this document I agree that the information provided is true and accurate.</i>				
School Counselor or Principal Name:				
School Counselor or Principal Signature:				
Parent or Guardian Name:				
Parent or Guardian Signature:				
<i>By signing this document I agree that the information provided is true and accurate. I understand that by signing below I am confirming the work enclosed is my own. I understand that my application without a signature will be immediately disqualified.</i>				
Applicant's Printed Name:				
Applicant's Signature:			Date:	

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Essay

THEME: Maintaining ethics and integrity in a tough economy

In 1,000 words or less discuss at least the following:

1. What does it mean to have ethics and integrity in the marketplace?
2. Is there a relationship between ethics and economy? If so, what is it?
3. What suggestions or ideas do you have for businesses who want to improve or preserve their standard of ethics in a tough economy?

RULES: Essays should be typed, double-spaced and include your name and high school's name in the header of every page. Be sure to discuss your viewpoints and give examples where applicable. All fields in the form must be completed. Applications that do not follow these rules will be disqualified.

An independent panel of judges will evaluate essays using the following criteria:

- Relevance to the theme
- Spelling and grammar
- Readability and clarity
- Organization
- Overall portrayal of ideas
- Creativity in presentation

All essays become property of BBB. The winner's name may be released to the public and news media for promotional purposes.

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Letter of Recommendation

A faculty/staff member, counselor, employer or community leader can complete the letter of recommendation. Include a separate letter of recommendation with this form.

Information of Individual Providing the Letter of Recommendation			
Name of Student:			
Class Standing:	(circle one)	Senior/class of 2010	Junior/class of 2011
Person Making the Recommendation:			
Title/Affiliation:		Phone:	()
Length you have known this student:			
Signature:		Date:	

In your letter of recommendation please address the following:

1. What has been your experience with this student?
2. Describe this student's academic qualifications and accomplishments.
3. Describe this student's potential to succeed in their college career and to positively contribute to the professional world.
4. Please add any other comments you would like to share about this student.

Please enclose this form and separate letter of recommendation in a sealed envelope and return to the applicant for submission. All applications that are received separately will be disqualified.

Thank you,

Laura Fitzgerald
 BBB Foundation Coordinator
BBBFoundation@thebbb.org