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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION BOOKLET

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“They can because they
think they can.”

~Virgil

SYNOPSIS OF AWARDS

GENERAL INFORMATION

Each year, West Los Angeles College awards a series of scholarships from on campus and off-campus sources. Many of these scholarships are listed in this brochure; however, other awards may become available throughout the year. Students are urged to request additional information from the offices of Financial Aid, Student Services, and from the various instructional departments. The purpose of these awards and scholarship program is to acknowledge the scholastic achievements of our students and to recognize those students who have overcome challenges to reach their educational goals.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

Unless otherwise stipulated, all students must meet the following requirements:

- Prior completion of at least one semester at WLAC
- Enrollment in the Spring Semester with minimum of 3 units

HOW TO APPLY

Applications and information about scholarships are located either in the Financial Aid Office (Building A-12), which is open from 9 AM to 7 PM Monday – Thursday, and 9 AM to 12 PM Friday; or in the ASO office, Bldg. A-5 on Monday and Wednesday, 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM, Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 AM to 7:00 PM, and from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM on Friday. Applications and information will also be available on the West website at www.wlac.edu/aso.

The deadline for applying for a scholarship is Friday, March 6, 2009.

WHAT TO DO

- 1) Read this Scholarship booklet.
- 2) Complete the Application Forms on page 1 and 2 in the back of this booklet.
- 3) Write a scholarship essay. For awards requiring community service, attach a letter from the organization for which you worked or volunteered. Start early so you will have all the necessary papers to submit before the deadline.

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER YOU APPLY?

A committee screens the applications for the best-qualified student(s) for every award.

At times, the top candidates are selected for a short interview.

The interview committee may ask questions about your educational goals and career plans. You should be prepared to answer questions about how you will benefit from receiving the scholarship. Some scholarship sponsors participate on selection committees. When you are interviewed, try to relax; the committee members just want to get to know you a little better.

Recipients of awards will be notified by mail toward the end of April. All winners will be invited to attend the Annual WLAC Scholarship Reception in May, where they will receive certificates of recognition and/or awards.

Most scholarships awarded are released within two weeks of the Scholarship reception. A few off-campus organizations make alternative arrangements with scholarship recipients. If so, you will be notified by mail.

Two essay-writing workshops for the WLAC Scholarship Awards will be held sometime during the early spring semester. Please look for our flyers posted in the Financial Aid Office, all bulletin boards, and or on the website at www.wlac.edu.

Complete information and scholarship applications are available in the Financial Aid Office, the Vice President of Student Services Office, and the Student Activities Building A-5(ASO).

1. **AAUW SANTA MONICA BAY AREA BRANCH LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**
Four \$1000 scholarships will be given to undergraduate female students who reside in the west side of Los Angeles. Must be a United States Citizen, attending school full-time and have a GPA of 3.0 or higher.
2. **AAUW SANTA MONICA BAY AREA BRANCH LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**
Two (2)- \$1000 scholarships will be given to female students who reside in the west side of Los Angeles and a high school senior. Must be a United States Citizen, attending school full-time and have a GPA of 3.0 or better.
3. **THE ALBERT D. SANCHEZ AWARD**
One award for \$250 is given to a full-time student who has completed at least 15 units in the Aviation Maintenance Technician (AMT) or Aviation Electronics Technology (AET) Programs. The student must have a GPA of 3.0 or above, both in the major and in general education courses. The recipient must have a demonstrated record of service to the community. Financial need may be considered as well.
4. **ALPHA GAMMA SIGMA (AGS) LEADERSHIP AWARD**
This \$200 award is given to an AGS member who has demonstrated leadership skills for two semesters.
5. **ALPHA GAMMA SIGMA (AGS) SCHOLASTIC AWARD**
This \$200 award is made to an AGS student for two semesters who has demonstrated outstanding scholastic achievement during the previous year.
6. **ALPHA GAMMA SIGMA (AGS) SERVICE AWARD**
This \$200 award is given to an AGS student who has demonstrated outstanding volunteer service. Student must be member for 2 semesters and may have completed 70 or more units.
7. **ANDREW MASON MEMORIAL AWARD**
This \$250 award is made to a student who excels in the field of Science, in honor of Andrew Mason, long-time professor of Science.
8. **ASSOCIATED STUDENTS ORGANIZATION AWARDS FOR ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT**
The Associated Students Organization, in conjunction with the eleven instructional divisions, makes one \$200 award per division to an outstanding student selected by division faculty members. Recipients must be ASO members.
9. **ASSOCIATED STUDENTS ORGANIZATION LEADERSHIP AWARDS**
The Associated Students Organization, in conjunction with the eleven instructional divisions, makes one \$200 award per division to a student who has exhibited leadership or strong involvement in college and community activities. Recipients must be ASO members. For further information, contact a division chairperson.
10. **CHARLES S. REMY JR. MEMORIAL AWARD**
Two \$450 scholarships are given in honor of the first student body president of West, and are awarded to students who have exhibited outstanding leadership on campus or in the community.
11. **DENTAL HYGIENE ALUMNI AWARD**
This \$200 award is presented to a graduating student who demonstrates outstanding professionalism. The student has provided compassionate and caring therapy to patients and maintained integrity and respect in relationships with patients, classmates and faculty.
12. **DON LEIFFER AWARDS**
Awards in the amount of \$500 are made to recognize outstanding academic achievement by students representing each of the college's eleven academic divisions.
13. **DOROTHY C. KAHN-GALLOWAY CHILD DEVELOPMENT TEACHER TRAINING SCHOLARSHIP**
Applicants must have completed 15+ units in Child Development at West L.A. College. The purpose of this scholarship is to assist Child Development students in their quest to complete their teacher preparation. The recipient of this scholarship must show evidence of real commitment to the enhancement to his or her scholastic endeavors and be a paid ASO member.

14. **DOROTHY G. GIBSON AWARD**
This \$1000 award is given to a student who has been out of college at least two years and has returned to WLAC in the last year to continue his or her education. The student must also have a demonstrated financial need.
15. **DR. JOSE AND TERESA JARA DENTAL HYGIENE SCHOLARSHIP**
One \$300 scholarships are awarded to a student with Hispanic backgrounds who is a first or second year WLAC Dental Hygiene students and is bilingual. Recipients must be a SADHA member, demonstrate leadership skills, community service involvement and have financial needs. The students must submit a 300–word essay entitled “How to Serve My Community as a Dental Hygienist.”
16. **EDWIN & DOROTHY PACKHAM MEMORIAL AWARD**
One to four awards in the amount of \$200-\$400 each will be awarded to student workers working in Enterprise Services Units; Student must have completed at least 12 Units. Active service to the college community, educational goals, scholastic achievement and unmet financial needs will all be considered.
17. **EUGENE N. PHELPS MEMORIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**
This \$500 award is given to a student who has completed History 41 and/or History 42 and who will be transferring to a four-year college or university in the Fall Semester. Demonstrated community service is desirable; financial need may be a consideration. This award is made in honor of Eugene N. Phelps, long-time professor of American Culture.
18. **GWEN-MARIE-THOMAS “NO STOPPING ME NOW” AWARD**
This \$500 award will be given to an African-American or Latino male or female who has been incarcerated in the State or Federal system and has exhibited a proven path of educational improvement and community service.
19. **GWEN-MARIE THOMAS “MY HEROINE” AWARD**
This \$500 award will be given to assist a single parent who is a first generation college student, enrolled in a minimum of 6 units and employed at least 20 hrs per week.
20. **HENRY KUBO MEMORIAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN MATHEMATICS**
This \$250 award is made annually to an outstanding student in Mathematics in honor of Henry Kubo, long-time professor of Mathematics.
21. **IRVING R. TANNENBAUM MEMORIAL AWARD**
This \$250 award is made to a second-year student who intends to transfer to a four-year college or university to continue studying Physical or Biological Science. The award is made in honor of Irving R. Tannenbaum, long-time professor of Chemistry.
22. **ISABEL SHANE MEMORIAL AWARD**
One \$250 award is made to an outstanding Art or Music major. The award may be made in the areas of: design, ceramics, history, painting, choral music, instrumental music, piano, multi-media or computer graphics.
23. **JAN NATHAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
The award in the amount of \$200 - \$1000 is given to any student returning to college at least 15 years after high school.
24. **JOAN VAN STELLE TEACHING SCHOLARSHIP**
These two scholarships of \$500 each will be given to assist second-year students with educational plans who intend to transfer to four-year colleges or universities to major in Education.
25. **(LLN) LATINA LEADERSHIP NETWORK OF THE LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIP**
One \$300 scholarship will be given to a Latina student who has completed 30 units at WLAC on a career or transfer track to a four-year college with a minimum 2.5 GPA. Student should have an active involvement in community service and college activities demonstrating leadership, achievement, and mentorship. All will be considered

26. **LISA CHONG COMMUNITY SERVANT ALUMNI AWARD**
This Award in the amount of \$500 to will be given to one student who is part of an ASO recognized club on campus and has demonstrated leadership, philanthropy, and student activism. The student must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 and enrolled in 12 units for the last two semesters at West L.A. College. Student must have attended at least one college wide meeting and have executed an event on campus or helped to coordinate an event.
27. **LYDIA VERA SORRENTO AWARD**
This fund provides a \$250 award for academic excellence in foreign languages.
28. **MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT AWARD**
Two individual awards of \$200 each will be given to students who have demonstrated Academic achievement based on diligence of effort. Student must have completed Math 125 or be enrolled in any one of 125, 127, 128 fall 2007 or spring 2008.
29. **MICHAEL SCHWARTZ SCHOLARSHIP**
This \$500 scholarship will be given to a student who has already earned 10 units in Music. The 10 units may include Harmony in the 200 series, 4 units in performance and 3 units in Music History. (Classes in the 100 series count towards the 10 units.)
30. **MORRIS J. HELDMAN CHEMISTRY AWARD**
This \$250 award, in memory of WLACS' Founding President, is made to an outstanding Chemistry student.
31. **PRESIDENT "Q" AWARD**
This \$500 Scholarship is awarded to an exclusive student who has demonstrated the qualities of strength of character, leadership and concern for fellow students. Student must demonstrate creativity and community service.
32. **RABBI SIDNEY J. JACOBS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
This \$200 scholarship will be awarded to a student who volunteers time to helping people, animals or the environment. Students should be able to provide documentation of community service.
33. **ROBERT LENCH HONORS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
One award of \$1000 is offered to a graduating Transfer Honors Program Student of any major. The purpose of this scholarship is to provide the student with assistance to complete his/her baccalaureate degree.
34. **WLAC ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP**
This award of \$200 is given to a student who participates in campus activities and shows leadership qualities.
35. **WLAC ANTHROPOLOGY STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP**
This \$300 Scholarship is awarded to a student who has shown interest in the topic as determined by a course instructor and has been or is a current member of the Anthropology Club.
36. **WLAC FACULTY/ACADEMIC SENATE SCHOLARSHIP**
These scholarships of \$200 each will be awarded to three (3) students who have completed at least 24 units and are on a transfer track to four-year colleges or universities. The students must show leadership skills or involvement in school government, community activities or extracurricular activities.
37. **WLAC FALL FEST VENDORS AWARD**
This \$200 award is given to any student returning to college at least 15 years after high school and is enrolled for two semesters in a Business or Liberal Art major; student need to have a minimum GPA of 2.5 or above and has completed 35 units and not over 60 units.
38. **WLAC FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP**
Awards of \$1,000 and \$2,000 are offered to students of any major who have completed at least 45 units at West Los Angeles College, and have demonstrated excellence in the classroom. The minimum GPA required is 3.75.
39. **WLAC OUTSTANDING ATHLETE AWARD**
One \$150 award is given to an athlete who has made outstanding athletic contributions and has completed 36+ units.

WEST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE: Scholarships / Awards

Scholarship	Classes or Major	Minimum GPA	Min. Units Completed	Award Amount	# of Awards Given	Special Criteria	Selection Procedure
1. AAUW SANTA MONICA BAY AREA BRANCH LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND	HEALTH-CARE or EDUCATION	3.0 - 3.75	12 or more	\$1,000	4	These awards will be given to four undergraduate female students who reside in the West Side of Los Angeles, who are attending West full-time and experiencing financial difficulties. Student MUST be a U.S. Citizen.	Selection made by WLAC Scholarship Committee.
2. AAUW SANTA MONICA BAY AREA BRANCH LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP FUND	ALL	3.0	12 or more	\$1,000	2	Female students graduating from a High School on the west side. Student must have enrolled at West full-time. This scholarship is intended for U.S. Citizens experiencing financial difficulties.	Selection made by WLAC Scholarship Committee.
3. ALBERT D. SANCHEZ AWARD	AMT OR AET	3.0 major / 3.0 overall	12	\$250	1	Must have completed 15 units in AMT or AET and plan to earn a certificate or degree.	Selection made by Aviation Division faculty.
4. ALPHA GAMMA SIGMA SCHOLARSHIP FOR LEADERSHIP	ALL	3.25	12	\$200	1	Student must be an AGS member for two semesters. Student may have completed over 70 units.	Selection made by AGS and faculty.
5. ALPHA GAMMA SIGMA SCHOLASTIC AWARD	ALL	3.5	12	\$200	1	Student may have more than 70 units and must be an AGS member for two semesters.	Selection made by AGS and faculty.
6. ALPHA GAMMA SIGMA SERVICE AWARD	ALL	3.2	12	\$200	1	Student must be an AGS member for two semesters. Student may have completed over 70 units.	Selection made by AGS and Faculty Advisor.
7. ANDREW MASON MEMORIAL AWARD	SCIENCE	3.0	6	\$250	1	This award is based on academic excellence in the field of science.	Selection made by science faculty.
8. ASO DIVISIONAL AWARDS FOR ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT	ALL	3.0	6	\$200	11	Student must have completed two classes in major and be a paid ASO member.	Selection made by division faculty.
9. ASO LEADERSHIP AWARDS	ALL	3.0	3	\$200	11	Evidence of community involvement, school leadership, club participation and a paid ASO member.	Selection made by division faculty & ASO Advisor.

10. CHARLES S. REMY JR. MEMORIAL AWARDS	ALL	2.0	12	\$450	2	For outstanding leadership in campus or community activities.	Selection made by WLAC Foundation Board of Directors.
11. DENTAL HYGIENE ALUMNI AWARD	DENTAL HYGIENE	3.0	12	\$200	1	Faculty decision based on student professional performance through the Exceptional Performance Report (EPR).	Selection made by Dental Hygiene faculty.
12. DON LEIFFER AWARDS	ALL	3.0	6	\$500	11	Must have completed English 101 and one Speech course. Paid ASO member with outstanding academic achievement.	Selection made by division faculty.
13. DOROTHY C. KAHN-GALLOWAY CHILD DEVELOPMENT TEACHERS TRAINING SCHOLARSHIP	CHILD DEVELOPMENT	2.5	12	\$200	2	Applicant must be an ASO member and must have completed 15+ units in Child Development at WLAC.	Selection made by the Galloway Family.
14. DOROTHY G. GIBSON AWARD	ALL	3.0	6	\$1,000	1	For a student who has returned to West after being out of college for two years or longer. Student must have demonstrated financial need.	Selection made by WLAC Foundation and faculty.
15. DR. JOSE & TERESA JARA DENTAL HYGIENE SCHOLARSHIP	DENTAL HYGIENE	3.0	12	\$300	1	First or second year student at West with Hispanic background. Must submit a 300 word essay entitled "How to serve my community as a Dental Hygienist."	Selection made by Dental Hygiene faculty.
16. EDWIN & DOROTHY PACKHAM MEMORIAL AWARD	ALL	2.75	12	\$200-\$400	1 - 4	These awards in the amount of \$200 - \$400 will be awarded to student workers working in Enterprise Services Units; Must have completed at least 12 units; selection based on service to the college community, educational goals, scholastic achievement, and unmet financial need.	Selection made by committee.
17. EUGENE PHELPS MEMORIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD	ALL	3.25	6	\$500	1	Student must have completed History 41 and/or History 42 and is planning to transfer to a university in the fall. Financial need may be considered.	Selection made by Behavioral/Social Sciences faculty.

18. GWEN-MARIE THOMAS "NO STOPPING ME NOW" AWARD	ALL BUSINESS DISCIPLINES	3.0	9	\$500	1	This award will be given to an African-American or Latino student who has been incarcerated in the State or Federal system and has exhibited a proven path of educational improvement and community service.	Selection made by donor.
19. GWEN-MARIE THOMAS "MY HEROINE" AWARD	ALL BUSINESS DISCIPLINES	3.0	6	\$500	1	This award will be given to assist a single parent who is a first generation college student; enrolled in a minimum of 6 units and employed at least 20 hours per week.	Selection made by donor.
20. HENRY KUBO MEMORIAL AWARD	MATHEMATICS	3.0	6	\$250	1	For the student who shows excellence in mathematics.	Selection made by Mathematics faculty.
21. IRVING R. TANNENBAUM MEMORIAL AWARD	PHYSICAL or BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE	3.0	6	\$250	1	For a second year Physical or Biological Science student with a goal to transfer and a demonstrated financial need.	Selection made by Science faculty.
22. ISABEL SHANE MEMORIAL AWARD	MUSIC or ART	3.0	6	\$250	1	Declared Music or Art major. Enrolled in at least 6 units of Music or Art.	Selection made on recommendation of departmental instructors.
23. JAN NATHAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP	ALL	2.5	6	\$200-\$1000	1	Any student returning to college at least 15 years after high school.	Selection made by Jan Nathan PMA Publishers and WLAC Fall Feast Committee.
24. JOAN VAN STELLE TEACHING SCHOLARSHIP	ALL	2.0 - 2.9	6	\$500	2	For second year students who intend to transfer to an accredited four-year university to continue their study to become a teacher. Financial need may be considered.	Selection made by donor and WLAC Follundation.
25. LATINA LEADERSHIP NETWORK OF THE LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIP	ALL	2.5+	30	\$300	1	To be given to a candidate who has exhibited active involvement in community service and college activities demonstrating leadership, achievement, and mentorship. All will be considered.	Selection made by LLN representative or designee.

26. LISA CHONG COMMUNITY SERVANT ALUMNI AWARD	ALL	3.0	9	\$500	1	To be given to one student who is a club member on campus, demonstrated leadership and philanthropy, and student activism. The student must have attended at least one college wide meeting and have executed an event on campus or helped to coordinate an event.	Selection made by chosen committee.
27. LYDIA VERA SORRENTO AWARD	FOREIGN LANGUAGE	3.5	6	\$250	1	Based on diligence of effort and financial need. Must have at least two foreign language courses.	Selection made by WLAC Foundation Board of Directors.
28. MATH DEPARTMENT AWARD	ALL	2.0	5	\$200	2	Selection made based on academic achievement and diligence of effort. Student must have completed Math 125 or be enrolled in any one of 125, 127, or 128 fall 2008 or Spring 2009.	Selection made by Mathematics faculty.
29. MICHAEL SCHWARTZ SCHOLARSHIP	MUSIC	3.0	6	\$500	1	This \$500 scholarship will be given to a student who has already earned 10 units in Music. The 10 units may include Harmony in the 200 series, 4 units in performance and 3 units in Music History. (Classes in the 100 series do count towards the 10 units).	Selection made by WLAC Foundation.
30. MORRIS J. HELDMAN CHEMISTRY AWARD	ALL	3.0	-	\$250	1	Student must have completed at least 15 units prior to the spring semester at WLAC. Student must have completed or is currently enrolled in Chemistry 2.	Selection made by Chemistry faculty.
31. PRESIDENT "Q" AWARD	ALL	2.5	9	\$500	1	This Scholarship is awarded to an exclusive student who has demonstrated the qualities of strength and character, leadership and concern for fellow students; and must demonstrate creativity and community service.	Selection made by WLAC Deans.
32. RABBI SIDNEY J. JACOBS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP	ALL	3.5	6	\$200	1	This Scholarship will be awarded to a student who volunteers time to helping people, animals or the environment. Students should be able to provide documentation of community service.	Selection made by faculty.

33. ROBERT LENCH HONORS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP	ALL	3.5	18	\$1,000	1	Completion of at least 18 units in the Honors Program. The purpose is to provide the students with assistance to complete his or her baccalaureate degree.	Selection made by faculty.
34. WEST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP	ALL	2.5	6	\$200	1	Student participation in campus activities and show leadership qualities.	Selection made by WLAC Alumni Club members and Advisor.
35. WEST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE ANTHROPOLOGY STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP	ANTHRO-POLOGY	3.0	9	\$300	1	This Scholarship is awarded to a student who has shown interest in Anthropology as determined by course instructor and has been or is a current member of the Anthropology Club.	Selection made by the Anthropology Department
36. WEST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE FACULTY/ACADEMIC SENATE SCHOLARSHIP	ALL	3.5	12	\$200	3	Student must have completed at least 24 units and be on a transfer track to a university; show leadership skills or involvement in school government, community or extra curricula activities.	Selection made by the Academic Senate Executive Committee followed by Senate approval.
37. WEST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE FALL FEST VENDORS AWARD	BUSINESS or ART	2.5	25	\$200	1	Any student returning to college at least 15 years after High School and enrolled for two semesters with a Business or Art major.	Selection made by WLAC Fall Fest Committee.
38. WEST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP	ALL	3.75	6	\$1000 & \$2000	1 each	Must have completed a minimum of 45 units at West Los Angeles College. First Award is \$2000 and the second is \$1000.	Selection made by WLAC Foundation Board of Directors.
39. WEST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE OUTSTANDING ATHLETE AWARD	ALL	3.0	24	\$150	1	Student athlete with sophomore standing (36+ units) who has shown outstanding athletic contribution to West. Award is given to a student who is not returning for athletic competition.	Selection made by Athletic Coaches.

Application Instructions

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete the Scholarship Application cover page. You must identify each specific Scholarship for which you are applying. Fill in your major and place a check next to the division it is in. Please refer to the Scholarship Booklet. Selecting Scholarships for which you are not eligible may jeopardize your eligibility.

QUALIFICATIONS: To be eligible for most awards, you must have completed at least one semester at WLAC with an overall grade point average of 2.0 or higher and be enrolled in at least 3 units during Spring 2009 semester, except where noted in the Scholarship Brochure. Total units completed at WLAC **may not exceed 70, except where noted.** The Scholarship Committee will obtain a copy of your WLAC transcript. Some Scholarship awards may require candidates to be ASO members. To be an ASO member you must pay an ASO membership fee of \$7.00 at the Business Office. **Any student applying for ASO scholarships must be a paid ASO member.**

THE ESSAY: Write an ESSAY about why you deserve to receive an Award and/or Scholarship. Indicate your objectives. You may want to include information about your educational, career, and personal goals. Demonstrate your talent by writing about any special interests or special circumstances that you may wish the selection committee to consider. If you are applying for a Scholarship that requires a demonstrated financial need, employment, family responsibilities, evidence of leadership, community service or other requirements, please address that specifically in your essay. **Only one (1) essay is needed; please do not write an essay for each scholarship you are applying for.**

ESSAY FORMAT: Use 8 ½" x 11" white paper; type or use a computer. Limit the essay to one or two pages. Use your NAME and ESSAY as the title. **Triple-space** after the title and **Double-space** the body of your essay and use 1" margins all around. See Sample pages. (No extra documents such as pictures, resume, etc. are allowed.)

SUPPORT MATERIAL: Be sure to include at least two, but no more than three, letters of recommendation with your application. Submit a copy of the request for letter of recommendation to the author. One letter from a West Los Angeles College faculty member is requested. **Letters of recommendation may be hand delivered by the student or sent directly from the author to the ASO Office, Attn: Scholarship Committee, West Los Angeles College, 9000 Overland Ave., Bldg. A-5, Culver City, CA 90230-3519.** All letters must be received by the deadline date. Late recommendation letters will not be considered.

Return your application and essay in person to the ASO Office, Bldg. A-5 or mail it with a postmark using the above address, no later than Friday, March 6, 2009.

Application Deadline
Friday, March 6, 2009

For more information, contact the ASO Office (310) 287-4426.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

You must furnish any other applicable transcripts you would like the Scholarship Committee to consider. All applicants will be notified by letter of their eligibility and the results of their applications two weeks prior to the Scholarship Awards Ceremony.

I UNDERSTAND THAT SUBMISSION OF THIS APPLICATION AUTHORIZES THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE TO OBTAIN MY WEST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE TRANSCRIPT. I HEREBY AUTHORIZE RELEASE OF ALL THE FOREGOING SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION AND/OR MATERIALS. I ALSO GIVE PERMISSION TO RELEASE MY NAME TO THE SPONSORS, NEWSPAPERS AND COLLEGE WEBSITE FOR PUBLICITY.

Signature

Date

Print Name Clearly

All applications must be signed. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Request for Letter of Recommendation

Dear Sir/Madam:

Thank for agreeing to write a letter of recommendation for the student identified on this request form. Your assessment of the applicant's achievements, reliability, and promise in the area of study for which they have applied will assist the selection committee. Please include some the following information if applicable. You may photo copy this page.

- How long have you known the student?

- If you have instructed the student, in what course(s)?

- Please give specific examples as to why you feel as you do.

- Does the student have potential for success and achievements in the future?

- Include any other comment(s) that will help the committees with the selection process.

Please address your letter to the Associated Student Organization Office:

Mail to: **West Los Angeles College**
 ATTN: Scholarship Committee
 9000 Overland Avenue, Bldg. A- 5
 Culver City, CA 90230
 Phone: 310-287-4426

***NOTE: Deadline to submit all recommendations and verification letters:**
 Friday, March 6, 2009, before 5:00 p.m.
 Post Marks Prior to March 5, 2009 will be accepted

Students may hand-deliver recommendation letter(s) to the above address; otherwise they may be mailed directly to the ASO office, before the deadline date.

Thank you for your support!

Scholarship Essay Statement

You may use the following outline as a “model” for the completion of your essay. Try to be as thorough as possible as you write your essay. Use a 1” margin all around. Feel free to use any essay format you feel comfortable with. Two Essay workshops will be made available for your participation. You may type a maximum of two pages, double-spaced, only.

First Name Last Name

Educational Goal:

(Double Space)

My Goal is to be the first member of my family to obtain a degree...

Career Goal:

My ambition is to obtain a satisfying, rewarding career which will support me and my family...

Personal Goals:

I plan on being a positive role model within my community...

Special Interest:

I volunteer once a week to feed the homeless. I also help out once a month at a half-way house...

Financial Need:

I need financial assistance to pursue my educational goals...

Leadership Experience:

My leadership experience...

Campus Involvement:

I have participated in the following events and programs on campus...

Sample Scholarship Essay Statement

The following examples demonstrate ways you might begin your essay. You may use the “Special Criteria” section of the Scholarship booklet to describe your qualifications. Use a 1” margin all around. Feel free to use any essay format you feel comfortable with. Two essay workshops will be made available for your participation. You may type up to two pages, double-spaced.

First Name Last Name

Example #1

AGS Scholastic Award

I feel I have demonstrated my commitment to scholastic achievement by maintaining a GPA of no less than 3.7.....

Example #2

Don Leiffer Award

I am a major in Computer Science and have outstanding academic achievements demonstrated by my 3.7 grade point average.....

Example #3

WLAC Academic Affairs Award

I am an Education major with plans to attend UCLA. I am active as a student member of the Associated Students Organization and the Hispanic Heritage Club at WLAC. In addition, I am a volunteer peer counselor for the children at the Y.M.C.A in my community.....

LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

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