

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Earl H. Saunders Entrepreneurial Scholarship

The purpose of this award is to recognize a Howard County public high school senior who is a minority, woman, and/or disabled individual who has demonstrated an entrepreneurial spirit. Award winners will be selected based upon an individual's business achievement as evidenced by starting a small business, assisting an existing business in a significant way, or developing a creation or invention targeted towards business. The winner in this category will be awarded a scholarship towards post-secondary education **or** to pursue courses/programs of study that promote entrepreneurship.

Completed applications must be received by no later than April 6, 2010. The scholarship recipient will be notified in April and will be recognized at the 16th Annual CBED Business Recognition Program. The breakfast program will be held on **April 20, 2010, 7:30 a.m.** at the Sheraton Columbia. The scholarship check will be paid directly to the recipient's educational institution.

Scholarship Eligibility:

To be considered, an applicant must be:

- A minority, woman and/or person with a disability.
- A Howard County resident.
- Beginning full- or part-time study at an accredited higher educational institution or participating in an entrepreneurial program/course of study in 2010.

Application Packet:

To be considered, the application must include the following materials.

- Completed *Application Form* with two completed essay questions.
- Completed *Recommendation Form* (from someone other than a relative) who is familiar with what qualifies you for this award.

Note: Copies of awards or other supporting documentation **NOT** requested.

The completed package should be returned to: Center for Business and Technology Development; 9250 Bendix Road, North; Columbia, MD 21045; Attention: CBED Committee.

For applications, go to:

- <http://www.hceda.org/thecenter/cbed.aspx> or
- Call 410/313-6550

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Application

APPLICANT:

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

HIGH SCHOOL: (If applicable.)

Name: _____
Address: _____
Anticipated Graduation Date: _____

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION or Entrepreneurial Program/Course of Study

Name: _____
Address: _____
Anticipated Enrollment Date: _____

ESSAY QUESTIONS:

On a separate piece(s) of paper, answer the following questions. Please limit your answers to 300 words for each question.

1. Award winners are selected based upon an individual's business achievement as evidenced by starting a small business, or assisting an existing business in a significant way, or developing a creation or invention targeted towards business. Describe an activity (work, school, community) in which you have demonstrated the aforementioned entrepreneurial spirit.
2. Professionally, what is your ten-year goal, and how do you plan to achieve it?

ATTACHED RECOMMENDATION:

Name of person completing the Recommendation Form: _____

Applicant's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

***Parent/Guardian Signature:** _____ **Date:** _____

*(If under 18 years of age.)

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Scholarship Recommendation Form

Name of Applicant: _____

Name of Commender: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Relationship to Applicant: _____

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On a scale of 1 to 5 (1 being the lowest and 5 being the highest), how would you rate the applicant relative to her/his peers in the following categories?

Commitment to Education: _____

Goal Setting Ability: _____

Leadership Skills: _____

Potential for Success: _____

Is there anything else you would like to bring to the attention of the evaluation committee?

***Please return this form to the applicant to be included in the application package. Completed package due by April 6, 2010.**

(This form is available in alternative format. Please call 410.313.6177.)