

November 2009

To: All Lower Merion Township Scholarship **Renewal** Applicants

From: The Lower Merion Township Scholarship Fund

Subject: 2010-2011 Academic Year Application Forms & Instructions

Your Lower Merion Township Scholarship grant can be renewed, annually, for a maximum of eight semesters. Even if you do not start school until the spring semester, you must still apply by the deadline.

Below you will find Instructions and your application to reapply for a scholarship grant for **2010-2011** academic year. You will find:

PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY. We must have all forms completed and returned to our office by February 15, 2010. Due to an ever increasing number of applicants, we must hold fast to our February 15th deadline. If you have questions concerning our instructions, please contact Fran Guinnane at guinnaf@lmsd.org or at the Scholarship Office, 610-645-1893 between 10 AM and 2 PM Monday, Wednesday, or Thursday, or you may write to the Scholarship Fund at the above address. **If you do not follow these directions, we will not be able to process your application.**

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING LMTSF RENEWAL APPLICATION

No application will be processed unless all the following are completed on time

1. **The following should be sent in one envelope, postmarked before Feb 15, 2010 to:**
Lower Merion Township Scholarship Fund, BOX 346, ARDMORE, PA. 19003
 - a. The **Application** (below) must be completed and postmarked to our office by ***February 15, 2010.***
 - b. Send a transcript or copy of your first semester grades for the current year with your application to the Scholarship Fund by ***February 15, 2010.***
 - c. 2008 IRS Statement(s) for both parents should be enclosed in the envelope with your application and transcript. It will be forwarded to our financial aid consultant. If an IRS form was not filed last year, a letter of explanation must be sent.

3. The **CSS/Financial Aid Profile Registration Guide** with Profile Registration and Application information to complete via the Internet: www.collegeboard.com. You should register as soon as possible (preferably no later than December 15, 2009). It must be completed on time so that your Financial Aid Profile Application is filed by our ***February 15, 2010*** deadline. You may use your estimated 2009 Tax Information if necessary. Not completing your personal IRS filing is not an excuse for missing the deadline. These figures may be revised later. The Lower Merion Scholarship Fund's CSS code, #0740, must be included in your Profile Application. Even if the schools to which you are applying do not require the filing of a Profile Application, you must file with our code number in order to be considered for a LMTSF grant.

If biological or adoptive parents are divorced, separated, or are no longer living in the same household a Noncustodial PROFILE must be completed as outlined in the CSS Guide. If, for any reason, it cannot be completed please include a letter stating the reason and circumstances with your application.

4. **FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid).** Apply on line at www.fafsa.ed.gov to apply. It may be helpful to print out a copy of your CSS Profile application to work on the FAFSA, since most of the information will be the same.

2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR RENEWAL APPLICATION FORM
LOWER MERION TOWNSHIP SCHOLARSHIP FUND
BOX 346, ARDMORE, PA. 19003-0346 (610) 645-1893
lmtsf@lmsd.org

The information on this sheet is important. **Please answer each item completely.**

By **February 15, 2010**, please return this application to the Scholarship Office. To remain eligible you must remain a full-time undergraduate student during the time of the grant. A student is eligible to receive a grant for a maximum of eight semesters. Even if you do not start school until the Spring semester, you must apply by the deadline shown above. The financial information is confidential and will be seen by the Financial Aid Consultant only!

Print or Type in Black Ink

1. **Applicant's Name** _____
(First) (Middle) (Last) Social Security Number

E-mail Address _____ Cell phone _____ Home Phone _____

Permanent Address _____
(Street) (Town) (State) (Zip)

School Address _____
(Street) (Town) (State) (Zip) (Phone)

2. **Father's full name** _____ (Circle one) Living Deceased
(First) (Middle) (Last)

Father's Address _____
(Street) (Town) (State) (Zip) (Phone)

Occupation _____ Employer _____ Phone/e-Mail: _____

3. **Mother's full name** _____ (Circle one) Living Deceased
(First) (Middle) (Last)

Mother's Address _____
(Street) (Town) (State) (Zip) (Phone)

Occupation _____ Employer _____ Phone/e-Mail: _____

4. **Guardian's full name:** _____
(First) (Middle) (Last)

Guardian's Address _____
(Street) (Town) (State) (Zip) (Phone)

Occupation _____ Employer _____ Phone/e-Mail: _____

5. List the names and relationship of members of your immediate family now attending college. Indicate the college and year of expected graduation for each. _____

6. Do you plan to continue your education at your present school in 2010-2011 _____.

If you plan to transfer, to which schools will you be applying? _____

You must advise the Scholarship Office as soon as possible, when you change your academic institution.

7. Please state your specific educational/professional goals.

8. Please specify the financial assistance you received during the current school year

<u>SOURCE OF AID</u>	<u>AMOUNT RECEIVED</u>	<u>INDICATE IF YOU EXPECT TO RECEIVE THIS</u>		
	<u>IN 2009-2010 SCHOOL YR</u>	<u>AID IN 2010-2011</u>		
LMTSF grant:	\$ _____	Yes	No	Applied _____
COLLEGE grant:	\$ _____	Yes	No	Applied _____
PRIVATE OR OTHER grant:	\$ _____	Yes	No	Applied _____
PHEAA	\$ _____	Yes	No	Applied _____
PELL	\$ _____	Yes	No	Applied _____
SEOG	\$ _____	Yes	No	Applied _____
STAFFORD LOAN	\$ _____	Yes	No	Applied _____
WORK/STUDY EMPLOYMENT	\$ _____	Yes	No	Applied _____
OTHER	\$ _____	Yes	No	Applied _____

Please include estimated wages from employment if enrolled in a cooperative program: Amount-\$ _____

9. I have completed and submitted the following:

- a. A copy of my parents **2008 Income Tax Returns** was mailed in the enclosed with your application on _____.
If my parents did not file Income Tax Returns, a letter of explanation is was mailed in the enclosed Financial Aid Consultant envelope on _____.
- b. **CSS/Financial Aid Profile Registration** was completed on-line with the Lower Merion Township Scholarship Fund's CSS code #0740 on _____.
- c. **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** was completed on line on _____.
- d. **Divorced/Separated Parent's Statement**: If a noncustodial parent was not able to complete their portion of the CSS Profile on line, a statement explaining the circumstances has been **included with this application**.
- e. A **Transcript** of my first semester grades for this year are **included with this application**.

I understand that, if awarded, this aid is for one year only and that I must reapply annually, and that my pictures will be used in the annual brochure. Should I receive a scholarship from any other source, I agree to notify the Lower Merion Township Scholarship Fund Committee immediately. I have read this application and certify that all statements on it are true and complete to the best of my knowledge, and I hereby reapply for financial aid from the Lower Merion Township Scholarship Fund.

Signed _____ Date _____