



2009-2010 Scholarship Program APPLICATION

Return this application to: **WEDC FOUNDATION
P.O. Box 4761
Huntsville, AL 35815
(256) 429-4718**

DEADLINES

- Application Deadline May 1
- Scholar Selection Completed May 31

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Adult woman of 19 years of age or older, a United States citizen
- Lives, works and attends school in Madison, Marshall, Morgan and/or Limestone County of North Alabama
- Currently enrolled in one of the following:
a four year academic program at SACS-Accredited institution or a two year academic program or technical training program at institution located in the specified counties of North Alabama.
- If applicant is seeking a 4-year academic degree, applicant must have successfully completed a minimum of 25 semester hours at time of application submission, as evidenced by an official copy (on school's letterhead) of the applicant's most recent transcript
- Overall GPA of 2.5 or greater
- Special consideration is given to applicants whose income is not more than 2.5 times the current federal government's poverty guidelines for size of family unit, as evidenced by most recent year's tax return; woman with dependents and prior recipients of the WEDC Foundation Scholarship Program
- Members of WEDC and the WEDC Foundation and their immediate family members are ineligible for WEDC Foundation scholarships.

- Must be currently employed; if selected for an interview by the Scholar Selection Committee, must provide an applicant's pay stub, less than 30 days old
- Applicant must not currently hold a bachelor's degree.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Type or print clearly
- Complete all sections of the application
- Include two letters of reference
- Include current resume
- Include transcript from your current/last school
- Mail to: _____ or return to:

**WEDC Foundation
PO Box 4761
Huntsville, AL 35815**

**WEDCF Office
Crestwood Women's Center
185 Chateau Drive, Suite 200-A
Huntsville, AL**

SELECTION PROCESS

- Applications postmarked by May 1, 2009 will be considered for the 2009-2010 Scholarship Program Year. The applications are reviewed and finalists will be interviewed by the Scholar Selection Committee. From applicants who are interviewed, the scholars will be selected. All applicants will be notified by June 9.

WEDC FOUNDATION

- Founded in 1998, The WEDC Foundation was formed by the Women's Economic Development Council as a sister organization that would provide women in Madison County, Alabama with the opportunity to become economically independent.
- Committed to helping women reach their professional career goals, the WEDC Foundation offers a scholarship program that assists with tuition or other expenses related to completion of a college or technical school degree; mentors for each scholar that provide guidance; and professional development workshop programs.

PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPLICATION ON THE FOLLOWING PAGES.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: _____ Date: _____

Street Address: _____ Apt #: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip Code: _____

In this Student Housing Parents/Guardian Head of Independent Household

Email Address: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

How did you hear about this scholarship? _____

Do you pay in-state tuition? Yes No

Once your schooling or program is complete, in what city do you expect to live? _____

Marital Status: SINGLE MARRIED DIVORCED WIDOWED

Please list your dependents and ages of dependent children.

First name/ Last name	Age	Relationship

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Total amount of your usual monthly household earnings (including spousal/partner income) _____

List other income or financial assistance you receive:

Earnings source	Amount
Child Support	
Food Stamps	
Housing Assistance	
Other Assistance	

Indicate the amount you expect to pay for next year's educational expenses from each of the following sources:

\$ _____ YOUR CURRENT INCOME \$ _____ SAVINGS \$ _____ LOANS
 \$ _____ SPOUSAL/PARTNER INCOME \$ _____ SCHOLARSHIPS \$ _____ PELL GRANT
 \$ _____ OTHER FAMILY SUPPORT

Do you have special financial needs that should be considered in evaluating your application for a WEDC Foundation scholarship? _____

EDUCATION INFORMATION

Do you have a high school diploma or its equivalent? Yes No

Name of school: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Year of Graduation: _____ or Date GED completed: _____

Are you currently enrolled in school? Yes No

If, NO when do you expect to enroll? _____ (Semester and Year)

Name of educational institution you will attend if you receive this scholarship _____

Name of program or major _____ Excepted date of completion _____

EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

Please indicate your employment history for the last five years, begin with current employment.

Dates of Employment	Employer	Part-time	Full-time	Position	Reasons for Leaving

Are you currently employed? Yes No Hours usually worked per week _____

If no, are you seeking employment? _____

If yes, provide current job description _____

Does your current employer provide you with benefits? Yes No

If yes, list benefits _____

LIFE GOALS

Use additional paper if necessary. See additional questions on page 4.

What are your educational goals? _____

What are your career and other professional goals? _____

When (what year) do you expect to achieve these goals? _____

What attracts you to your future career? _____

Beyond your education and career, what other goals do you have? _____

Please discuss obstacles you are facing or have faced. _____

Please discuss some of your accomplishments. _____

Discuss your volunteer activities in your church, school clubs and other organizations. _____
