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The Armed Forces Communications-Electronics Association (AFCEA) Quantico-Potomac Chapter plans to award up to four (4) \$1,000 scholarships in 2010 to outstanding students from the Stafford County Virginia area, including Marine Corps Base Quantico. The Chapter also plans to award up to one (1) \$500 follow-on award to a qualified previous Chapter scholarship recipient. Subject to the availability of funds, scholarships will be awarded to students enrolled for the 2010/2011 academic year as full-time students in a course of study at an accredited four-year college or university that leads to a Bachelor's degree in one of the Science, Technology, Engineering, or Mathematics (STEM) disciplines that will prepare the student for a professional career supporting AFCEA's focus on military communications, electronics, information technology, and intelligence systems.

Eligibility Criteria

- Applicants must be U.S. citizens.
- Applicants must be graduating high school seniors.
- Applicants must be accepted for enrollment during the 2010/2011 academic year in a full-time course of study at an accredited four year college or university in the United States. Enrollment in distance learning programs does not meet this requirement.
- The applicant's course of study must lead to a Bachelor of Science degree within four years of undergraduate study in one of the Science, Technology, Engineering, or Mathematics (STEM) disciplines that will prepare the student for a professional career supporting AFCEA's focus on military communications, electronics, information technology, and intelligence systems. Qualifying academic majors include, but are not limited to, Aerospace, Computer, Electrical, Industrial, Mechanical, Communications, and Nuclear Engineering; Computer Science; Management Information Systems; Mathematics; and Physics.
- Eligible applicants include residents of Stafford County, Virginia, attending Stafford County High Schools, and dependents of active duty military personnel who attend Quantico Middle/High School.
- Applicants who have received appointments to military academies, four-year ROTC scholarships, or a scholarship or combination of scholarships from other organizations providing more than \$10,000 in financial aid for the 2010/2011 academic year will not be eligible for AFCEA Quantico-Potomac Chapter Scholarships.

Scholarship Application Procedures

Scholarship application packages must be submitted by mail with postmarks dated no later than May 3, 2010, or via e-mail (preferred) in PDF format, not later than May 6, 2010. E-mailed applications should be sent to awardsscholarships@afcea-qp.org Applications received after midnight May 6, 2010 will not be considered. The required contents of the application package are fully described in the following pages of this document.

Selection: The Board of Directors of the AFCEA Quantico-Potomac Chapter will appoint a Scholarship Selection Committee composed of current Chapter members to review and rank applications on May 7, 2010. The Scholarship Committee Chairman will offer AFCEA Quantico-Potomac Chapter Scholarships to applicants in the order of their ranking by the selection committee up to the availability of scholarship funding. Applicants will be asked to confirm their continued eligibility for an award. In the event that a primary selectee does not confirm eligibility for an award, scholarships will be offered to alternate selectees. The Scholarship Committee Chairman will notify scholarship winners of their final selection for awards no later than May 11, 2010.

Award Procedures:

Scholarship funds will be paid directly to the Finance Office of the scholarship winner's chosen college/university in the form of a check drawn on the AFCEA Quantico-Potomac Chapter Education Fund account. The Chapter will send representatives to the 2010 Academic Awards ceremonies at the students' schools to recognize the students before an audience of their parents and peers. Those who do not receive their awards at a year-end academic awards ceremony will be invited to attend one of Chapter's Monthly luncheon meetings to receive their awards.

For Further Information: Contact Mr. Michael A. Wallace (540) 322-2897 ext 3204; email awardsscholarships@afcea-qp.org or michael.wallace@taic.net

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Application Procedures

Complete the following forms included in this document:

- Privacy Statement co-signed by Applicant and Parent
- Applicant Information Form
- Scholastic Standing Form (Completed/Signed by Counselor/Advisor)
- Applicant's Personal Statement (200-250 words)
- Financial Need Considerations

Attach the following additional documents:

- Graduating high school seniors – a letter of recommendation from your academic counselor or a math, science, or engineering teacher
- Letter of acceptance or proof of enrollment from the college or university for the 2010/2011 academic year
- Official transcripts reflecting academic performance for a minimum the two most recently completed academic years

Submit Applications by Mail to:

AFCEA Quantico Potomac Chapter
2009 Scholarship Program
Box 1106
Quantico VA 22134

Submit Applications by E-mail in PDF format to: awardsscholarships@afcea-qp.org

*Mailed applications must be postmarked no later than May 3, 2010
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Receipt of all applications will be acknowledged by e-mail

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Application for 2010 AFCEA Quantico-Potomac Scholarship Program

PRIVACY STATEMENT: The personal information requested herein, including attached financial need forms and personal statement(s) will be used to evaluate the applicant's eligibility for scholarships to be awarded by the AFCEA Quantico-Potomac Chapter. The information will be maintained by the AFCEA Quantico-Potomac Chapter and will be released only to individuals who serve on the Chapter's 2010 Scholarship Selection Committee. Disclosure of the information requested is voluntary; however, failure to provide all of the requested information may hinder evaluation of the application and reduce the likelihood of a scholarship award to the applicant.

I agree not to contest the AFCEA Quantico-Potomac Chapter's Scholarship Selection Committee's choice of scholarship winners for the Chapter's 2010 Scholarship Program. I affirm that all information provided in this application is true to the best of my knowledge and that I have read and understand the privacy statement above.

Signature of Applicant: _____ **Date:** _____

Signature of Parent: _____ **Date:** _____

A parent's signature is not required if the applicant is above the age of 18 and was not claimed as a dependent on a parent's 2009 tax return.

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Community Service Honors And Awards				
Award/Recognition	Presented by	Year		
Extra-Curricular Activities				
Organization	Office Held	From mo/yr)	To (mo/yr)	
Work Experience: List your work experience, whether part-time, vacation, or other during the past three years. (use additional sheet if required)				
From (mo/yr)	To (mo/yr)	Name of Business	Your Job	Hrs/WK
Other noteworthy achievements to be considered by the Selection Committee				

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Academic Standing Information 2009-2010

(To be completed by Counselor/Academic Advisor)

Applicant's Name: _____

School: _____

Class Standing: Upper _____% of total class.

Number of students in class: _____

GPA (indicate basis, i.e., 4.0 or 5.0 system) _____

SAT Scores: Math _____ Verbal _____ Writing _____

Counselor's Name: _____

Telephone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Is the student applicant enrolled for the 2010/2011 academic year in a course of study at a four-year accredited college or university that will lead to a Bachelor of Science degree within four years of undergraduate study? Yes _____ No _____

Declared Academic Major: _____

College or University: _____

Counselor's Signature: _____

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Applicant's Personal Statement

In 200-250 words, discuss the factors and influences that have led you to consider an academic major in the hard sciences or engineering disciplines and your reasons for pursuing a career in your chosen field.

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Financial Need Considerations

1. Applicant's Name: _____
2. Parents of applicants dependent upon their parents for financial support and educational financing provide the following information:
 - A. Parents' Combined Adjusted Gross Income from 2009 Federal Income Tax return(s): _____
 - B. Names/ Ages/Academic Status of Siblings claimed as dependents on parents' tax return

Name	Age	School & Grade Level for 2010/2011 Academic Year

- C. Tax-free scholarships / grants / financial aid received by the family in 2009/2010: _____
 - D. Anticipated 2010/2011 Educational Expenses for all Dependents: _____
 - E. Balance of outstanding Educational Loans as of May 3, 2010: _____
3. Applicants who are financially independent (i.e., not claimed as a dependent on another person's 2009 Federal Income Tax return) provide the following information.
 - A. Adjusted Gross Income from 2009 Federal Income Tax Return: _____
 - B. Names/ Ages/Relationships of dependents claimed on applicant's 2009 Federal Income Tax return

Name	Age	Relationship

- C. Tax-free scholarships / grants / financial aid received in 2009/2010: _____
 - D. Applicant's Anticipated 2010/2011 Educational Expenses: _____
 - E. Balance of Outstanding Educational Loans as of May 3, 2010: _____

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- 4. You may provide a brief statement of additional financial considerations that you wish to bring to the attention of the Scholarship Selection Committee.**