

**APPLICATION FORM:
WISSAHICKON FIGURE SKATING FUND, INC.**

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2010 SCHOLASTIC HONORS AWARD / SCHOLASTIC HONORS TEAM

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MARCH 1, 2010

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2010 WFSF SCHOLASTIC HONORS AWARDS

MIDDLE-SCHOOL \$250.00

HIGH-SCHOOL \$500.00

The three-part application should be completed and submitted by the date listed above. The applicant is asked to complete the information form, write a brief essay, and submit a copy of their USFSA test history and most recent report card or school transcript. A teacher and a coach are asked to provide letters of recommendation. An individual may receive each award one time only but is eligible for the Honors Team annually.

PART ONE: INFORMATION FORM, USFSA TEST HISTORY AND SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT

PART TWO: ESSAY

PART THREE: LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION*

** If you are ineligible for the Academic Honors Award because you have received it previously, and are therefore applying only for Academic Honors Team membership, it is not necessary to submit letters of recommendation. High-school seniors who have received the high-school Academic Honors Award are honorary team members and need not apply.*

The WFSF Scholastic Honors Award Selection Committee will review the applications and notify the winners in April. The school principals of all award winners and team members will be notified in April. The WFSF Scholastic Honors Awards will be presented at the Wissahickon Skating Club's Figure Skating Awards Banquet (date to be announced).

For further questions regarding the application please contact:
Kathleen Amrom at 215-242-8078 or aht@wfsfund.org

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Please complete this form in ink- not pencil ! Thank you.

Date of Application _____

PART ONE: Information Form, USFSA Test History and School Transcript

PART TWO: Essay

PART THREE: Letters of Recommendation*

Please select a coach and a teacher to each write a letter of recommendation. Letters should be mailed to the address below or sent to: aht@wfsfund.org. *If you are ineligible for the Academic Honors Award because you are a previous winner, it is not necessary to submit letters of recommendation for Academic Honors Team membership.

Please complete PART ONE and PART TWO and mail to:

Wissahickon Figure Skating Fund, Inc.
Kathleen Amrom
8319 Seminole Street
Philadelphia, PA. 19118

PART ONE: INFORMATION FORM

APPLICANT'S NAME _____ AGE _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

SKATING HISTORY

Please print a copy of your USFSA test history and attach it to this information form.

(Please note any recently passed tests that may not be recorded on the test record yet.)

COACH(ES): *please list* _____

SKATING PROGRAM PARTICIPATION: *please check all that apply*

___ ASSISTANT COACHING

___ SUMMER CAMP

___ COMPETITIVE DANCE

___ SYNCHRONIZED SKATING

___ COMPETITIVE FREESTYLE

___ THEATER ON ICE

___ PRIVATE LESSONS

___ WISSCAPADES

___ SEMINARS

___ OTHER: _____

Please name the specific seminar or program that you have participated in under "Skating History Highlights".

___ ARE YOU CERTIFIED? TYPE OF CERTIFICATION: _____

___ I AM WORKING TOWARDS CERTIFICATION IN: _____

SKATING HISTORY HIGHLIGHTS:

Please list any competitions, training camps, exhibitions, seminars, or other skating experiences you have enjoyed.

Please write the average amount of time you spend on each activity weekly:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Group Lesson							
Private Lesson/ Individual Practice Time							
Team Practice							
Off-Ice Training							
Off-Ice Dance class							

ACADEMIC HISTORY

Please attach a copy of your most recent report card or school transcript to this form.

A letter of notification will be sent to your school, so be sure and include the correct mailing address.

SCHOOL _____

ADDRESS _____

PRINCIPAL/ HEADMASTER _____

CURRENT GRADE _____ **GPA OR EQUIVALENT** _____

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES _____

PART TWO: ESSAY

DIRECTIONS TO APPLICANT:

Please include, with the information form, the following essay:

Power, precision, and grace are often referred to when describing a skater's performance.

*Which single quality-- **power, precision, or grace**-- do you think is most important to master in both the sport of figure skating and in life?*

A typewritten essay is preferred.

Middle-school student: 250 of your own words

High-school student: 500 of your own words

Please note:

- The number of words suggested are a guideline and not a strict requirement.
- The goal of the essay is to encourage you to reflect on your skating experiences.
- The essay question is not a test; there is no right or wrong answer.
- Be yourself and write about your own experiences and ideas!

APPLICANT SIGNATURE _____

PARENT SIGNATURE _____

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PART THREE: TEACHER'S LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

NAME OF APPLICANT: _____

DIRECTIONS TO APPLICANT: Please select a teacher to write a letter recommending you for the WFSF Scholastic Honors Award. Give this form with directions to your teacher and they will mail a letter to the address listed.

*We request the letter be received by March 1, 2010.
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DIRECTIONS TO TEACHER:

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DIRECTIONS TO APPLICANT: Please select a skating coach to write a letter recommending you for the WFSF Scholastic Honors Award. Give this form with directions to your coach and they will mail a letter to the address listed.

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?????? WHY SHOULD I APPLY FOR THE WFSF ACADEMIC HONORS TEAM ??????

When you apply for the Academic Honors Team, you are eligible to win the Academic Honors Award (if you have not won it previously in the category to which you are now applying-- ie., middle-school or high-school).

You will receive recognition for your hard work in school and on the ice.

Your principal will receive a letter of notification that you have received membership on the Academic Honors Team and they will be very proud of you.

You might get your picture in the local newspaper.

You will receive a cool pin to wear and a certificate to display.

Membership on the WFSF Academic Honors Team looks great on a college application.

???????????????? QUESTIONS ABOUT THE APPLICATION ???

Do I need to have an "A" average?

No! If the average of all your grades for the most recent report card is at least a "B-", you are eligible.

Do I have to be a competitive or advanced skater?

No! What is required is an enthusiasm and dedication to actively participating in the sport of skating.

When should I start the application process?

Begin working on the application form and essay during your winter break. Submit the request for letters of recommendation when you return to school in January. Don't wait until the last minute!!

The application deadline is March 1, 2010.

Who chooses the Academic Honors Team and the award winners?

Each year a different committee of five distinguished individuals from our community reads the applications, essays and letters of recommendation. **Individuals on the Selections Committee do not personally know the skaters who are applying and they do not know who the author of any application or essay is. Relatives or coaches of applicants do not serve on the selections committee.**

How do I find out if I have been selected to be on the Academic Honors Team?

The Selections Committee meets in March. You will receive a letter in April notifying you that you have been selected to the Academic Honors Team (be sure to include your e-mail, address, and the address of your school on the application). **Winners of the Academic Honors Awards are announced at the Wissahickon Skating Club's Figure Skating Awards Banquet (date to be announced) and all team members receive their pin and certificate at that time, as well.**

Can I apply for the Academic Honors Team again, even if I won the award previously?

Yes! Although applicants may win each award, Middle-School and High-School, only once, they are eligible for team membership each year. If you are applying for team membership only, letters of recommendation are not necessary. **High-school seniors who have already won the high-school award are honorary members of the Academic Honors Team and do not need to submit an application.**

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ACADEMIC HONORS TEAM APPLICATION CHECK LIST

- _____ **3 PAGE INFORMATION FORM**
- _____ **USFSA TEST HISTORY**
- _____ **COPY OF REPORT CARD
or SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT**
- _____ **ESSAY**
- _____ **COACH'S RECOMMENDATION**
- _____ **TEACHER'S RECOMMENDATION**

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