

2008 MaFLA Past Presidents' Award

Awards of \$1000 each will be given to up to two deserving high school students who have demonstrated excellence in foreign language study and service/leadership within their school.

N. B. Native speakers are encouraged to apply.

*****Criteria for scholarships*****

1. Student must be a senior in high school who has completed the last sequence of that language.
2. Student must have studied a foreign language for a minimum of three sequential levels (Spanish I, II, III, for example). The only exception will be for students who study a critical language which has a program of only two years in scope (Chinese I, Chinese II, for example).
3. Student must be planning to continue foreign language study at the college level.
4. Student must have achieved a 90% average in the foreign language over the 3+ years of study.
5. Student must have demonstrated service to or leadership within the department, school and/or community. Some examples are language club officer, tutor, etc.
6. Student must be able to articulate in an essay of not more than 250 words the importance of foreign language study. This topic may be treated either globally or personally. Some examples are:

The Importance of Foreign Language Study in Today's Changing World

The Importance of Foreign Language Study in My Life

N. B. This essay should be written in English.

7. Nominating teacher must be a member of MaFLA.

APPLICATION FORM FOR 2008

(to be filled out by nominating teacher)

Name of Student _____ Email _____

School _____

Language Studied _____ Years of Study(9-12) _____ Highest level completed _____

Overall Average in the language for which he/she is nominated (9-12) _____

Nominating Teacher _____ Email _____

School Address _____

Home Phone _____ School Phone _____ Membership expires _____

PLEASE SUBMIT THIS APPLICATION WITH THE FOLLOWING:

1. Official high school student transcript (including first semester grades for 2007-2008)
2. Student essay of not more than 250 words on the importance of foreign language study (in English, please)
3. A single letter of support from the nominating teacher which should include evidence of student's leadership/service to department, school and/or community.
4. A signed statement from the student indicating his/her intention to continue foreign language studies in college.

N.B. Applications which do not contain all required materials will not be considered.

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APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY: **MARCH 31, 2008**