



The Spirit of Sankofa Scholarship

Presented By: Wisdom From The Field, Inc.



Hello to all of you future leaders of the community and of the world. Congratulations on making it this far in your academic career and welcome to the Spirit of Sankofa Scholarship presented by Wisdom From The Field (WFTF). Sankofa is a word of Ghanaian origin which teaches us to look to the past as we seek our way toward the future. We at WFTF take this further to represent the return to one's community in order to help pave the way for the youth following closely in our footsteps. In doing so, we lead a campaign known as the ComeUnity campaign; which operates to bring unity to-in-need Black communities.

The Sankofa Scholarship started as a small award specifically for students at the former high school of WFTF's founder. Today we have opened the award to students in high schools all across the Los Angeles County area. WFTF is determined to find and guide those students with a passion for their community. We search for those individuals who ultimately wish to use their talents and skills acquired through education to serve their in-need communities. This is what Sankofa is all about and this is why WFTF is here.

There is NO, we repeat, NO G.P.A. requirement for this award, however you must be attending a 4-year college or University in the coming Fall 2013 semester. This is because we know that you are more than a letter or a number and that your passion and dedication is the true measure of future success and service. With that, we welcome you to apply to be a part of the Sankofa Scholarship, Wisdom From The Field, and the ComeUnity Campaign. Good Luck!

Award: There will two awards available in the amount of \$500 open to all LA County students and one award open only to King/Drew High School students. Scholarship monies are meant to be dedicated toward educational advancement (Travel, books, supplies, etc.).

Eligibility:

- Applicants must be Black/African-American;
- Applicants must be graduating seniors in a Los Angeles area high school attending a 4-year college/university in Fall 2013;
- Applicants must submit unofficial transcripts (for mentoring purposes only)
- Applicants must convey genuine desire to give back to their community in the essay;
- All Applications MUST be submitted no later than:

APRIL 15, 2013

**For additional info or questions
contact us at:**

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Last Name: _____ **First Name:** _____ **MI:** ____ **DOB:** __/__/____

Mailing Address: _____ **Phone:** _____

_____ **Email:** _____

Current High School: _____

Previous High School (If Any): _____

How Did You Find Out About Us? _____

Extracurricular Activities: _____

Volunteer/Community Service Work: _____

Colleges/Universities Accepted: _____

Top Choice School(s) and Reason: _____

Intended Major/Course of Study: _____



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(Optional) Additional Information: _____

Essay Question
(750-1250 words, Typed, Double-Spaced):

Please describe your life's journey up until now. Use this narrative as a means to tell us who you are, what your life goals are, how you have and will continue to strive to achieve them, and how this scholarship will help. Most importantly, you must clearly describe the ways in which you will embrace the spirit of Sankofa to share your talents and future successes with the communities from whence you come. How will you serve as a device for change and inspiration to those following closely in your footsteps?

Mail Completed Applications
(Preferably in a letter-sized envelope)

To:

Wisdom From The Field, Inc.
c/o Spirit of Sankofa Scholarship
P.O. Box 56633
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"Education is our passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to the people who prepare for it today."

- Malcolm X