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2010 NFCPTA-Sally FitzGerald Scholarship Application

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North Fulton Council of PTAs (NFCPTA)

Academics, Leadership, Aptitude, Service, Goals

History and Background of NFCPTA-Sally FitzGerald Scholarship (NFCPTA-SFS):

- I. The NFCPTA is a group of 56 local unit PTAs and PTSAs located in North Fulton County organized by the authorization of the Georgia PTA. Its purpose is to promote conferences, leadership training and coordination of efforts of the local PTAs and PTSAs in its membership. The NFCPTAs is governed by its bylaws and elected officers.
- II. The NFCPTA-SF Scholarship Fund was created by the NFCPTA in 1995 to honor the outstanding work of **Mrs. Sally FitzGerald**, Past-President, NFCPTA. Mrs. FitzGerald has dedicated many years of service to the youth of Fulton County. Her work and dedication continues to improve public education and legislative awareness in our community and state. The local units of the NFCPTA are honored to offer this scholarship opportunity and thereby help North Fulton High School Seniors reach their goal of a post-secondary education.
- III. This scholarship targets students who exhibit the following criteria: Academic Excellence, Extra-Curricular Activities, Financial Need, Essay Writing, and Volunteerism.
- IV. The monetary award for this NFCPTA-SFS is provided by voluntary donations from the local units of the NFCPTA, members and private donations. The dollar amount of the scholarship is determined annually based on all donations received.
 - a. **Donations:** Individuals, PTA/PTSA Members, Clubs, Friends and Corporations may donate directly by writing Allison Clough, NFCPTA Treasurer via interschool mail to Shakerag Elementary School.

High School Seniors are Eligible to apply if they:

1. Graduate from a high school in North Fulton County whose high school PTSA is in good standing with the Georgia PTA and NFCPTA.
2. Are a member of their high school's PTSA. Must be a United States Citizen.
3. Have demonstrated leadership commitment through participation in extracurricular, service-oriented or citizenship activities.
4. Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 (80%) on a 4.0 scale.

For an application to be considered complete the student must:

1. Fill out the Personal Information Sheet
2. Write a Personal Essay up to two pages double spaced (around 500 words).
3. Attach an official High School Transcript
4. Attach a copy of their "best" SAT or ACT scores
5. Attach the PTSA membership form
6. Submit two Letters of Recommendation
7. Attach SAR (student aid report) from FAFSA.ed.gov (If it hasn't arrived yet, contact us before the deadline. We may be able to work with you on a later submission of this document)

2010 NFCPTA-SF Scholarship Facts to consider:

Submitted applications must be computer generated or typewritten on the 2010 official form. **No hand-written or previous year applications** will be considered.

Any Class of 2010, North Fulton High School Senior who will be enrolling in a public or private college, university or technical school after graduation, may apply.

There is no limit to the number of students from each high school that may apply.

2010 Applications may be reproduced and distributed to students.

Two recommendations are required and will be considered. Please include one academic recommendation from a teacher in a core subject and one personal recommendation that is a character reference (i.e. Scout leader, employer, music director, etc). **Two different adults** must write the recommendations.

It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that their application package is received and complete before the deadline.

The application must be postmarked by Wednesday, March 24, 2010.

E-mail any questions or concerns to the 2010 NFCPTA-SFS Selection Committee at:

Carolyn Carson carolyn_tacoma@hotmail.com
Sharyl Dawes mddawes@aol.com

Mail the completed application to:

Sharyl Dawes
NFCPTA-SF Scholarship Committee
370 Lake Manor Trace
Johns Creek, GA 30022

You will be notified by e-mail to confirm that we have received your application.

Note To Applicants

- The NFCPTA-Sally FitzGerald Scholarship Selection Committee reserves the right to interview applicants before a final winner is selected.
- Winners will be notified after the application deadline and will be recognized at the NFCPTA Presidents' Luncheon that is held Friday, May 7, 2010 from 11:30 to 1:00.
- The NFCPTA-SFS funds must be used for the scholarship winner's educational needs only (i.e. Tuition, mandatory fees, books, etc.).
- If funds are not requested by December 31, 2010 the scholarship will be forfeited.
- When the winner is announced, the funds will be made available.
- All information provided in support of this scholarship application will be kept in strictest confidence.
- The NFCPTA and the NFCPTA-Sally FitzGerald Scholarship Selection Committee do not discriminate against any student for any reason including reasons of race, creed, color, orientation or national origin.

Thank you for applying for the 2010 NFCPTA-Sally FitzGerald Scholarship!

The form below is available as a PDF (portable document format) file . You may fill in the fields on the website, then save the file on your own computer, print it, and mail it with supporting documentation (by March 24, 2010) to:

Sharyl Dawes
370 Lake Manor Trace
Johns Creek, GA 30022

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Deadline March 24, 2010

1. Personal Information:

Name of Applicant (first, middle, last):					
Date of Birth:		Phone:		Email:	
Home Address:					
City:		State:		Zip:	
Father's Name:		Mother's Name:			
Legal Guardian (if not parent):					

2. Scholastic Information:

Current HS:		Yrs enrolled:	
Cumulative Grade Point Average (as a % of 100 i.e. 96.2%):		(Attach copy of official transcript)	
Best SAT or ACT Score:		(Attach a copy)	
List the schools you may be attending. Attach letters of acceptance you have received.			
Your intended major:			

Please attach SAR form, available at FAFSA.ed.gov

List extracurricular activities including service-oriented projects, citizenship and leadership activities; recognitions, honors, awards, and employment on the following page.

Community Service & Volunteer Work/Projects

	9th	10th	11th	12th

Citizenship & Leadership

	9th	10th	11th	12th

Activities, Awards, Recognitions

	9th	10th	11th	12th

Employment

	9th	10th	11th	12th

2010 NFCPTA Sally FitzGerald Scholarship Application
500-Word Personal Essay

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Dear Applicant:

We, the members of the NFCPTA-Sally FitzGerald Scholarship Selection Committee do not know you. Therefore, let your essay be your best voice to speak clearly and completely for you!

Please attach a 500-word essay and tell us in your own words:

“In what way has PTSA affected your school’s success, affected your viewpoint on community service, and affected your values concerning volunteer time?”

Signature of Student: _____ Date: _____

**Certification of Membership
in a North Fulton Council PTSA**
(to be completed by local PTSA Membership Chm)

I certify that _____ (scholarship applicant) is a
paid member of _____ PTSA in North Fulton
County joining on _____ (date membership money received)

My knowledge of previous PTSA/PTA membership for this family includes

PTA Offices held by these family members:

Signed

PTSA Membership Chairman

(name of High School)