

## Help Send A Westchester Student to College



# If *Every* Westchester Alumni Donated Just \$1 We Could Give 10 Scholarships in 2012!

- Westchester High School is now Westchester Academy of International Studies (WAIS) within Spring Branch School District (SBISD).
- Westchester Academy of International Studies is an open enrollment charter school within SBISD
- Westchester is one of only 12 schools in Houston with an International Baccalaureate (IB) program and the only one in SBISD
- Includes Grades 6-12
- The Westchester Alumni Association was established to:
  - Unite all Westchester High School and Westchester Academy for International Studies alumni,
  - Encourage members to support the Westchester Academy for International Studies,
  - To provide programs that benefit alumni and current students to the fullest.
- Major goal of the Westchester Alumni Association is to promote the Westchester Student Scholarship program.
- Total scholarships awarded since 2007 = 30 totaling \$30,000
- GOAL for 2012 = 10 Scholarships

### A Brain is A Terrible Thing To Waste - DONATE TODAY!

Make Your Tax-deductible Donation by Using the Scholarship Donation Button on Our Website—www.westchesterwildcats.com

Donate to the Westchester Alumni Association

Or mail your check made payable to: **Westchester Alumni Association Student Scholarship Fund** 5373 W. Alabama St., Ste 209, Houston, TX 77056-5923

**Scholarship Recipients 2011** 



Scholarship Recipients 2010



Scholarship Recipients 2009



Scholarship Recipients 2008



Scholarship Recipients 2007



WAIS Receives Blue Ribbon



#### **WAA Scholarship Program**





#### Westchester High School & Westchester Academy for International Studies

Classes Of 1968-2010

#### What is The Westchester Alumni Association?

The Westchester Alumni Association was established in 2005 to unite all Westchester Senior High School and Westchester Academy for International Studies alumni.

The Westchester Alumni Association maintains a scholarship program available on a competitive basis to the current Senior Class members attending Westchester Academy for International Studies. The program issued 30 individual \$1000 scholarships since 2007. We will continue to award scholarships based on available funds for annually each graduating class.

Westchester Alumni Association Scholarships may be used for undergraduate bachelor's degrees at any accredited educational institution in the U.S.

#### Who is eligible to apply for a scholarship?

Scholarship applicants must be a current Westchester student for a minimum of 2 consecutive years including their senior year.

All students who apply as a Candidate must possess extraordinary Wildcat Spirit and must agree to work with the Westchester Alumni Association as a liaison between the Westchester Alumni Association and the subsequent 2 Senior Classes. This includes keeping current the contact information for their graduating class as well as submitting a short written testimonial after their freshman fall semester of how this scholarship affected their education. Attending two alumni events to promote donations to the next scholarship class will also be required. Applicants must submit a short letter to Westchester Alumni Association describing your Westchester experience and involvement, community involvement, academic record and SAT or ACT results.

Applications must be completed and submitted to the Westchester Alumni Association prior to March 1 of the year in which WAIS graduation is to occur to be considered. "Student" means a current attendee of WAIS, who has attended for a minimum of 2 consecutive years. Students applying must have a B average or better, verified in writing by a WAIS Counselor or Principal. In addition, the Student must agree to use the scholarship for the intended purpose in pursuit of a Bachelor's degree at an accredited educational institution in the U.S. for tuition, books, room and or board. The Westchester Alumni Association on behalf of the Scholarship awardees will make scholarship payments directly to the accredited educational institution.

#### How are scholarships awarded?

Officers and Board of the Westchester Alumni Association select scholarship recipients based on criteria determined for the Association's scholarship program.

Selections are based on competitive requirements that include academic merit, taking into account overall performance, potential and goals, ACT or SAT test scores and personal characteristics as evidenced by community participation, extra curricular activities, vocational interests, outside work or other evidence of self-help.

#### What do applicants need to know about the testing requirements?

ACT or SAT test scores must be submitted by high school seniors who will be completing high school requirements and entering college in the fall of the year.

The WAIS Guidance Counselors must verify these scores in writing.