



EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND: Guidelines for 2010 Application

The Board approved this Educational Scholarship Fund in 2001 to begin in 2002 and to continue yearly.

The purpose of this scholarship is to assist current **Nutrition First members** in furthering their education and ability to perform their job responsibilities. The funding will cover short-term training such as workshops, seminars and future course work. Applicants should be able to demonstrate how the educational opportunity will benefit their current and future work and contribute to their knowledge and understanding of maternal, infant and child health.

Multiple scholarships may be awarded up to a **maximum of \$1,500 in a calendar year**. Local agencies are encouraged, but not required to share a portion of the costs for staff training.

To apply for this scholarship, the following rules apply:

1. Be currently employed by a local agency in Washington State serving families with limited resources and be a paid member of Nutrition First;
2. Be a paid member of WALWICA/ Nutrition First for the past two (consecutive) years;
3. Propose a training date between March 1, 2010 and May 31, 2011;
4. Enclose a brief letter of support from your current supervisor, indicating agency and management support of your attendance at the training. If the agency is able to share training costs, please provide the details of this support (**Please note:** cost-sharing is not required to be considered for this scholarship opportunity);
5. If awarded a scholarship, you agree to write an article for the quarterly **Nutrition First Newsletter** to inform Nutrition First members about your educational experience;
6. If funding is awarded but you are unable to attend the training, you agree to refund the money to Nutrition First in full within two weeks of the training date.

You will be notified as early as possible of the decision regarding your scholarship application, approximately 2 weeks after the deadline for submission.

Example trainings include:

- National WIC Association (NWA) Washington Leadership Conference (March 7-9, 2010)
- NWA Annual Conference (May 2-5, 2010)
- NWA Nutrition and Breastfeeding Conference (Sept. 21-23, 2010)
- Society for Nutrition Education (SNE) Annual Conference (July 24-27, 2010)
- Social Marketing in Public Health Annual Conference (June 11-12, 2010)
- Association of Maternal & Child Health Programs Annual Conference (March 6-10, 2010)

Send applications to:

Nutrition First Educational Scholarship Fund
102 N St NE
Auburn, WA 98002

Questions?

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➡ **See next page for application form**

Nutrition First EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND APPLICATION FORM

Deadline: Complete and submit this application, letter of support, and training program announcement by **1/31/10**

Your name		Your agency		
Current job title		Number of years of membership in WALWICA/Nutrition First		
Your supervisor's name		Your supervisor's telephone		Your supervisor's email
Main worksite street address/P.O. Box		City		State Zip code
Your work telephone		Your work email		

Title of training*: _____

Place and date(s) of training: _____

*Please attach a copy of training program announcement

Funding requested:

\$ _____ Tuition / Registration \$ _____ Books / Supplies

Travel (please use Federal Per Diem rates for meals and lodging, <http://www.gsa.gov/>):

\$ _____ Meals \$ _____ Lodging \$ _____ Airfare

\$ _____ Total scholarship funds requested

Describe your learning objectives for this training and explain how the knowledge gained will contribute to your role in maternal and child health. Please type or write clearly. Use a separate sheet of paper if needed.

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