NCWIT Award for Aspirations in Computing

We’re looking for young women with outstanding achievements and aspirations in computing and technology. Are you the future of technology?

WHAT DO WINNERS RECEIVE?
Each qualified National winner receives:

- $500 in cash
- a laptop computer, provided by Bank of America
- a trip to attend the Bank of America Technology Showcase and Awards Ceremony, held in Charlotte, North Carolina on March 27, 2010
- an engraved award for both the student and the student's school

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- Applicants must be high-school level girls (grades 9-12).
- Applicants must reside in the United States of America.
- Applicants should have a demonstrated outstanding aptitude and interest in IT/computing, and demonstrated leadership ability.
- Applicants should have good academic history, typically a GPA of 3.0 or better.
- Applicants should have post-secondary education plans.
- Students from groups underrepresented in computing and current Juniors/Seniors are strongly encouraged to apply.
- Past applicants including semi-finalists are encouraged to apply, however, previous award-winners are not eligible to reapply or receive any awards.
- Relatives of employees or board members of NCWIT are prohibited from receiving the award.

HOW DO I APPLY?
Visit www.ncwit.org/award. Applications open on October 7, 2009 for the 2010 National award call. Applicants have until November 15, 2009 to complete their application. Email any questions to aspirations@ncwit.org.

NEW THIS YEAR – AFFILIATE AWARDS
There will be Affiliate Award programs in Illinois, Texas and Florida to recognize even more young women. The application period is the same and young women in those states will automatically be entered into both Affiliate and National competitions. Affiliate Award prize packages will vary. The Affiliate Awards are possible through a generous grant from the Motorola Foundation.

I want to be at the forefront of technology — designing something people can’t even conceptualize right now

~ Gabriella
South Hadley, MA
2009 Award-winner

The entire experience of being an Aspirations Award-winner has been both fun and inspiring.

~ Elisabeth
Chicago, IL
2008 Award-winner

The laptop and $500 will enhance my college experience and lead me to greater success as an engineer.

~ Gracie
Duncanville, TX
2008 Award-winner

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