



# Information on Applying for Financial Assistance

Thank you for your interest in Washington Business Week summer programs. Washington Business Week strives to make its programs available to as many students and families as possible, regardless of their ability to pay. We welcome participation of youth without regard race, gender, religion, disability or economic status. For those who qualify, there is limited financial assistance available through the generous contributions of community organizations, businesses and individual friends of Business Week. It is available on a first-come, first-served basis and is limited to one program per student, per summer.

Attached you will find an application form for partial financial assistance. Financial assistance is awarded based on need and information about unusual family circumstances that impact finances.

## **All financial aid applications should be postmarked by \*May 1, 2010.**

- Washington Business Week will award financial assistance on the basis of *financial need*.
- 100% camperships are not awarded. It is our belief that some portion of the registration fee, dependent upon the ability to pay, should be contributed by the applicant to provide a sense of commitment and responsibility towards attendance and participation in the program.
- Incomplete applications cannot be considered.
- Applicants may be awarded financial assistance for one program session each summer. We are unable to help with the fee for college credit.
- If you have previously received financial assistance, please do not assume that the same award can be offered again.
- The application deadline is May 1. (\*This may be extended if we still have funding available after this deadline.)
- Once it is received, we will review your application to determine your financial assistance eligibility. You will be contacted by mail within three weeks regarding your application and financial assistance award.
- Those who are found to be eligible for assistance will be required to return an acceptance letter within three weeks of the postmarked date of their award notification or risk withdrawal of the offer of assistance.
- Your portion of the registration fee must be paid in full no later than June 1st. Please contact us by phone or email if you would like to discuss payment arrangements.
- What if you feel you can't afford your portion of the reduced registration fee?
  1. Check with your school, employer or parent's employer to see if they can help.
  2. Try contacting local businesses or civic clubs for additional assistance. Business Week can provide materials to help with this process. These materials can also be downloaded at [http://www.wbw.org/Students\\_Forms.aspx](http://www.wbw.org/Students_Forms.aspx).

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