

# **Women In Focus, Inc.**

## **“I Have a Dream” and Miss Annie Mae McClain 2009 Scholarship Information**

### **Scholarship Fund**

Women In Focus, Inc., a Madison-area women’s service organization, uses funds raised through its annual “I Have a Dream” Ball, the Miss Annie Mae Hat Auction and other events to award scholarships to deserving college-bound male and female students selected by its Scholarship Review Committee. The amount of the scholarships is determined annually, with minimum individual awards of \$2000.

Application forms are available in the offices of area high school Minority Services Coordinators and online at [www.womeninfocus.net](http://www.womeninfocus.net)

Students selected to receive scholarships must verify full-time enrollment (registration confirmation) at a two-year or four-year college. Recipients are honored at an Award Reception in April; award checks are mailed after recipients provide Women In Focus, Inc. with registration documentation.

### **Eligibility Criteria**

In reviewing applications, preference is given to candidates who are

- Students of Color
- U.S. Citizens or permanent residents
- Graduating Madison-area high school seniors with the exception of Miss Annie Mae McClain scholarship candidates who may be older or continuing students

### **Application Requirements**

Only applications that are completed and postmarked by **February 18, 2009** will be reviewed. There will be no exception. Women In Focus, Inc. Scholarship applications are complete only if the following items are submitted:

- Four copies each of the *ACHIEVEMENTS AND GOALS* information (page two) and the *APPLICANT INFORMATION* sheet (page three)
- A recommendation letter from a high school/college teacher or other staff member.
- A recommendation letter from another non-related adult.
- An official high school or college transcript
- A photo of the applicant.
- Signed *Publication permission and verification* form (page four)

**Mail completed application to:** Scholarship Review Committee, Women In Focus, Inc. c/o Cindy Rolling, 641 Orchard Drive, Madison WI 53711

**Address questions to** Cindy Rolling, Scholarship Committee Chair (233-7821)

**WOMEN IN FOCUS, INC.**  
**“I HAVE A DREAM” AND MISS ANNIE MAE MCCLAIN**  
**2009 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

(Also available at [www.womeninfocus.net](http://www.womeninfocus.net))

INCLUDE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

**ACHIEVEMENT LIST (4 COPIES)**

Attach a copy of your resume or tell us about your accomplishment and dreams in the following areas:

**Community Service Activities**

Explain how you have served your community in school and outside of school.

**Awards and Honors**

List any awards, honors, or recognition you have received from your high school/college, community service organizations, or religious congregation over the past four years.

**Interests**

Describe relevant personal interests and hobbies that you did not mention above.

**Employment**

Indicate where you have worked, your position, approximate number of hours worked per week and length of employment.

**GOALS STATEMENT (4 COPIES)**

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. once said “Everybody can be great, because everybody can serve. You only need a heart full of grace, a soul generated by love and you can be that servant.” In the spirit of Dr. King, please tell us about the goals you have for your future. What do you plan to study in college and what are your possible career plans? Why have you selected these? If you are still deciding about a major or career, describe the areas that you would like to explore in your studies.

**LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION**

Please submit 2 letters of recommendation from persons who can comment on your work, your achievements, your service and/or your plans for the future. One letter must be from a teacher or other staff person at your school. The other can be from another non-related adult who knows you fairly well.

**OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT**

Either include a transcript of your high school or college work with your application or have one sent to Scholarship Review Committee, Women In Focus, Inc. c/o Cindy Rolling, 641 Orchard Drive, Madison WI 53711

**APPLICANT INFORMATION (4 COPIES)**

(please word process or print)

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name First Name Middle Initial

**Permanent Mailing Address** \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Apt. #  
\_\_\_\_\_  
City State ZIP

**Home Phone** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell Phone** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell Phone** ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of birth** \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Gender</b>	<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Female	<input type="checkbox"/> African American	<input type="checkbox"/> Native American
<input type="checkbox"/> Male	<input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic/Latino	<input type="checkbox"/> Multi-Racial
	<input type="checkbox"/> Asian/Pacific Islander	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

**High School or College currently attending** \_\_\_\_\_

**Graduation Date** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cumulative GPA** \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of people in household** \_\_\_\_\_

**Ages of siblings:** \_\_\_\_\_

**2008 Household Income Range** \_\_\_\_\_ less than \$25,000 \_\_\_\_\_ \$25,000-\$45,000  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$46,000- \$65,000 \_\_\_\_\_ \$66,000-\$85,000 \_\_\_\_\_ \$85,000-\$105,000 \_\_\_\_\_ over \$105,000

**Parent/Guardian Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Address** \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State ZIP

**NAME AND PHOTO PUBLICATION PERMISSION**

I hereby give Women In Focus, Inc. of Madison, Wisconsin, the right and permission, with respect to the photographs that have been taken of me or groups in which I may be included:

- a) To copyright the same in their own name or any other name they may choose;
- b) To use, reuse, publish and republish the same in whole or in part, individually or in conjunction with other photographs, in any medium and for any purpose whatsoever, including (but not by way of limitation) illustration, promotion, advertising and educational information.

I release and discharge Women In Focus Inc. from any and all claims and demands arising out of or in connection with the use of the photographs, including any and all claims for libel.

Women In Focus, Inc. may publish my name if I am a scholarship recipient.

I am over the age of 18. I have read the information above and I fully understand the contents thereof.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of parent/guardian  
(if applicant is under 18 years of age)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

BE SURE TO INCLUDE A PHOTO WITH YOUR APPLICATION

**APPLICANT VERIFICATION**

I verify that the information included in this application is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of parent/guardian (if applicant  
Is under 18 years of age)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date