



# Earl Woods Scholarship

2012 - 2013 Application



## EARL WOODS

Chairman in Memoriam, Tiger Woods Foundation



Earl Woods was the last of six children born March 5, 1932 to Maude and Miles Woods in Manhattan, Kansas. He attended Kansas State University, where he was a catcher on the university's baseball team and was the first African-American in the Big Seven (now Big Twelve) Conference.

Rising to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel in the U.S. Army, Woods served two tours of duty in Vietnam, where he met and befriended the original "Tiger," South Vietnamese soldier and friend Nguyen Phong, for whom his son is named. After his Army service, Woods was the materials manager of the Delta Rocket Program at McDonnell Douglas, until his retirement in 1988.

Although Woods did not play golf until he was 42 years old, he excelled at the sport and achieved a one handicap. His love for golf inspired his son, Tiger, who began imitating his father's swing before reaching his first birthday. Woods would continue to nurture Tiger's

love for golf, serving as his coach & mentor throughout the golfer's amateur & professional career.

In 1996, Earl and Tiger Woods established the Tiger Woods Foundation (TWF), a non-profit organization dedicated to the education and empowerment of America's youth. TWF began its outreach through national grants and scholarships, junior golf clinics and public speaking engagements. Since its inception, TWF has grown to reach millions of young people through educational and character development programs.

Woods was also a best-selling author of three books: "Training a Tiger: A Father's Guide to Raising a Winner in the Game of Golf and Life," published in 1997; "Playing Through: Straight Talk on Hard Work, Big Dreams and Adventures with Tiger," published in 1998; and "Start Something: You Can Make A Difference," published in 2000. Since its first printing, Start Something has evolved into a character development and goal setting program that has reached more than three million children.

"My whole life is about being positive. It's about dreaming, and then taking steps in your life to achieve those dreams. It is about overcoming obstacles and stereotypes such as bigotry and prejudice. Life is about giving and about sharing and caring for others, standing up and being counted for what you believe in, being a spokesperson and a role model, and being an inspiration." *From "Playing Through: Straight Talk on Hard Work, Big Dreams and Adventures with Tiger" by Earl Woods.*

The Earl Woods Scholarship program was created in 2006 to honor the vision and spirit of Earl Woods and continue his legacy of caring and sharing.

### Awards

- 1998 Father of the Year Award, presented by the National Father's Day Committee
- 2001 *GolfWeek* Golf Father of the Year Award



## EARL WOODS SCHOLARS PROGRAM APPLICATION OVERVIEW

### GENERAL INFORMATION

- The Earl Woods Scholars program was created in 2006 to honor the vision and spirit of Earl Woods and continue his legacy of caring and sharing
- Eligible candidates are graduating high school seniors who have demonstrated academic excellence, commitment to community service and financial need
- Annual scholarship award is up to \$5,000 (renewable for up to four years)
- Scholars will receive opportunities to participate in workshops throughout the year
- Scholars will be matched with a dedicated Mentor
- Scholars will receive internship opportunities
- Applications must be postmarked no later than **MARCH 2, 2012**
- **Scholarship Finalists must be available for an in-person interview on either April 14<sup>th</sup> or April 21<sup>st</sup>**

### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Student must be a graduating high school senior from a geographic area that has been invited to apply
- Student must have a minimum GPA of 3.00
- Student must demonstrate financial need & a commitment to community service
- Student must enroll full time into an accredited 4-year university in the United States, immediately upon high school graduation

### SUPPLEMENTAL DOCUMENTS

- Federal tax returns, W-2 forms and related schedules
- Official transcript
- Recommender forms



## EARL WOODS SCHOLARS PROGRAM APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Please use this checklist to assist you in making sure the information on this application is complete. Check the box as you complete each step in the application process and include this cover sheet with the other documents you submit. Please note that incomplete applications will not be reviewed. If you have any questions please contact Michelle Y. Kim at [mykim@tigerwoodsfoundation.org](mailto:mykim@tigerwoodsfoundation.org).

### I have enclosed the following documents:

- Completed Application Checklist (Page 3)
- Completed Earl Woods Scholarship application which includes: Student Information, Family Information (including a copy of your parents 2011 federal tax return, W-2's and related schedules), Community Service Information, Awards and Extracurricular Activities Information (Pages 4-6)
- Completed Formal Student Essays (Page 7)
- Completed Recommender Forms – two recommendations are required (Pages 8-9)  
*(The envelope must be sealed with the recommender's signature signed across the seal)*
- Federal Tax Returns, W-2 forms and related schedules
- Official transcript which includes your current GPA

**Please keep a copy of all paperwork that you submit and  
send originals to the Tiger Woods Foundation.  
Must be postmarked by MARCH 2, 2012**

### Please send application to the following address:

Tiger Woods Foundation  
Attn: Michelle Y. Kim  
121 Innovation, Suite 150  
Irvine, CA 92617



**EARL WOODS SCHOLARS PROGRAM**  
**STUDENT INFORMATION**  
(To be completed by student)

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

School District \_\_\_\_\_ School Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ Social Security \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Please answer the questions below** *(If necessary, use another sheet of paper and attach it to this page)*

Tell us about your plans for college. (i.e. Where have you applied? Where would you like to attend?)

In what field do you plan to major in college?

What has inspired you to choose this career path?

I certify that all information given in this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Misrepresentations in any statement will be considered adequate grounds for denying the application.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



**EARL WOODS SCHOLARS PROGRAM**  
**FAMILY INFORMATION**  
(To be completed by Parent or Guardian)

**MOTHER/GUARDIAN**

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

Mother/Guardian Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Mother/Guardian 2011 Annual Income \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please attach a copy of Mother/Guardian 2011 federal income tax return, W2's and related schedules

**FATHER/GUARDIAN**

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

Father/Guardian Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Father/Guardian 2011 Annual Income \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please attach a copy of Father/Guardian 2011 federal income tax return, W2's and related schedules

**Please mark the box which best identifies your Parent(s) or Guardian(s) highest completed level of formal education:**

<b>Mother</b>	<b>Father</b>	<b>Highest Level of Education</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Elementary
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Middle School
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Some High School
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	High School graduate
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Some college
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Two-year college graduate
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Four-year college/university graduate
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Post-graduate study

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



**EARL WOODS SCHOLARS PROGRAM  
COMMUNITY SERVICE INFORMATION**  
(To be completed by student)

Please use the following tables to describe your involvement in the community, your extracurricular activities, employment and awards/recognition. If necessary, attach a separate sheet using the SAME format.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

ORGANIZATION	ACTIVITY, YOUR ROLE & DUTIES	FROM (mm/yy)	TO (mm/yy)

**EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES/EMPLOYMENT**

ACTIVITY/EMPLOYMENT	DESCRIPTION	FROM (mm/yy)	TO (mm/yy)

**RECOGNITION/AWARDS**

RECOGNITION/AWARD	DESCRIPTION	DATE (mm/yy)



## EARL WOODS SCHOLARS PROGRAM FORMAL ESSAYS

(To be completed by student)

### ESSAY REQUIREMENTS

Please submit a typed double-spaced, 250-500 word essay (12 pt. font) for **each** topic listed below (three essays total). Points are awarded based on content, development, organization, grammar, spelling, syntax and style. Please remember to:

- Number each page of your essay.
- Include your name on the top right corner of each page.
- Staple the essays together and submit them with your application.

### WRITING TOPICS

QUESTION #1 *"You can create a map or plan that will help you achieve whatever you desire in your life. Major goals or minor goals, the key is to decide how to get from point A to point B." - Earl Woods*

You have the power to set goals that only you can achieve. What are your long-term goals? Describe both your personal and career goals and how you plan to work to achieve them.

QUESTION #2 *"Leadership is within each and every one of us. There are many ways to lead – by your words, your actions, and your attitude. The choice is yours." - Earl Woods*

Describe why you believe leadership is an important skill to develop. Give a specific example of how you have shown your leadership ability and the impact it has had in your life.

QUESTION #3 *"There are only two things in life that you have to do. You have to share and you have to care." - Earl Woods*

Describe how you contribute to your community (for example: school, family, work, church, volunteer work, etc.). What have you learned from your experiences? How have these experiences assisted in your growth as an individual?



**EARL WOODS SCHOLARS PROGRAM**

**RECOMMENDER FORM #1**

(To be completed by recommender)

**STUDENT INFORMATION**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

School District \_\_\_\_\_ School Name \_\_\_\_\_

**RECOMMENDER INFORMATION**

Recommender Name \_\_\_\_\_

Affiliation to Student \_\_\_\_\_ Job Title \_\_\_\_\_

**INSTRUCTIONS TO RECOMMENDER** The student named above is applying for an Earl Woods scholarship through the Tiger Woods Foundation. This recommendation is a critical component in our decision making process.

Please respond to the following questions as completely and succinctly as possible. (If necessary, use a separate page to answer the following questions)

1. How long have you known the student?  
 Less than 1 year                       1-2 year(s)                       3 or more years
2. Why should we select this student as an Earl Woods Scholarship recipient? Please comment on the student's involvement in the community and leadership qualities.

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3. Please comment on any other relevant information that is not identified in the application that describes why this student is a candidate for the Earl Woods Scholarship.

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**Please return this form to the student in a sealed envelope with your signature across the seal.**

Recommender Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



**EARL WOODS SCHOLARS PROGRAM  
RECOMMENDER FORM #2**

(To be completed by recommender)

**STUDENT INFORMATION**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

School District \_\_\_\_\_ School Name \_\_\_\_\_

**RECOMMENDER INFORMATION**

Recommender Name \_\_\_\_\_

Affiliation to Student \_\_\_\_\_ Job Title \_\_\_\_\_

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