



## **The Lindgren Community Service Award and Scholarship**

The Yang-Ja Lee Lindgren Community Service Award and Scholarship was created in 2003, from a generous donation by the Lindgren family. The award honors the student who most exemplifies the value of service to others. Mrs. Lindgren was active in the community, and especially generous with her time and resources at Federal Way Public Academy. Sadly, Mrs. Lindgren passed away in 2003, but continues to inspire service to the community through the Yang-Ja Lee Lindgren Community Service Award. The award winner receives \$500 for study, training or research upon their high school graduation and enrollment in a program of higher education.

**Who can apply?** All Federal Way Public Academy students are eligible to compete for this scholarship.

**How do I apply?** Applicants must complete their community service project and submit an essay about their community service experience by June 1. If June 1 does not fall on a school day, submissions will be due on the first school day following June 1. Late entries will not be considered.

**What criteria will be used to award this scholarship?** This scholarship will be awarded to the student whose community service project shows the most student initiative and inspiration, as well as positive impact on the community. The student should see a need in the greater world community, devise a way to meet the need, execute their plan and reflect on the impact that the service had on them, as well as the community they served.

**What information should the essay contain?** The essay should contain the following information:

- What motivated or inspired the student's project
- The amount of time devoted to the project
- The impact their efforts had on both them and the community served

**What is the value of the scholarship?** The scholarship is awarded in the amount of \$500.

**Who decides who will win the scholarship?** The Lindgren Scholarship Committee awards the scholarship. The committee is made up of five

members; the FWPA Principal, Community Service Advisor, plus three community members, preferably involved in community service.

The Principal and Community Service Advisor will make the initial recommendation to the committee about which projects are the most deserving of the award. The selected community service essays will be forwarded to the remaining committee members for a final vote. Essays will be evaluated for projects that show the most inspiration, leadership and greatest impact on the community. Any member of the committee whose student is eligible for consideration at this level will excuse themselves from the vote.

**How is the money disbursed?** The scholarship funds are held by the PTSA until the student indicates their college, university or vocational program of choice as a graduating senior. The funds are to be used for the purpose of aiding the student's study, training or research. The PTSA must receive a signed statement from the student guaranteeing that they will use the funds to further their education.

If you have additional questions, please contact Kurt Lauer, FWPA Principal. A complete set of rules is available in the FWPA Office.