

JOHN WILLIAM WARD PUBLIC SERVICE FELLOWSHIP

"One must act as if one can make a difference"

ABOUT THE FELLOWSHIP

The John William Ward Public Service Fellowship is a summer program open to Boston Latin School Juniors and Seniors. It seeks to teach BLS students about the state and local government of Massachusetts and Boston and to inspire participants to play a more active role in public service and gain valuable experience in this sector. Each fellow works for a public official, including the Governor of Massachusetts, Mayor of Boston, State Senators, State Representatives, and City Councilors. Fellows perform duties as assigned by their particular office. In addition, all fellows (approximately 15 people) meet with sponsors during the summer, providing a unique opportunity to learn about each official's profession, motivations, views, and goals. The fellowship is a paid program: each Fellow works forty hours a week and receives a bi-weekly stipend of approximately \$500. For more information about the Fellowship, visit the website at www.WardFellowship.org, or come to the PIC Office.

The Ward Fellowship seeks candidates who have an interest in public service in all of its forms. All students are encouraged to apply and will be given thorough consideration. Previous experience in public service is not required for this program, only an interest in public service and the Fellowship. Selections will be based on the strength of the essay, future goals, and the personal interview.

THE APPLICATION PROCESS

- 1) Complete the attached application form.
- 2) Write an essay of two pages on why you would like to participate in the program and what would make you a good Fellow. John William Ward once said that "one must act as if one can make a difference." Write how and why these words ring true today. Explain how you would contribute to the Fellowship and how you would give back to your school and community if selected. Most importantly write why you are interested in public service.
- 3) Provide a copy of your resume.
- 4) There are two rounds of interviews for the Fellowship. The first round will be conducted on April 3 and 4. Finalists will be interviewed by the Honorable Chief Judge Mark L. Wolf on Monday, April 14. *Applicants must be available to interview on this day.*

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 2008
TO MS. ESTEVE IN THE PIC OFFICE
(late applications will not be accepted)

Ms. Esteve will correspond with all candidates via e-mail.

Applicants selected for a first round interview will be informed by the end of the school day on Monday, March 31.

Applicants selected for the final interview with Judge Wolf will be informed by the end of the school day on Monday, April 7.

Please be sure to provide a valid email address and check your email frequently.

Please note that the John William Ward Fellowship is a full-time summer position. You must be available to work the entire summer. It is a very competitive program, so please do not apply unless you are sure that you will accept the job. If you change your mind at any point, please contact Ms. Esteve to withdraw your application.



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2008 APPLICATION FORM

NAME: _____

GRADE: _____ HOMEROOM: _____

STUDENT ID NUMBER: _____

ADDRESS: _____

HOME TELEPHONE: _____

CELL TELEPHONE: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

Please note that you will be informed of your application status via e-mail.

Using this form as a cover sheet, please attach an essay of two pages on why you would like to participate in the program and what would make you a good Fellow. John William Ward once said that "one must act as if one can make a difference." Write how and why these words ring true today. Explain how you would contribute to the Fellowship and how you would give back to your school and community if selected. Most importantly write why you are interested in public service.

Please also attach a copy of your resume.

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