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Press Release

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Call for Nominations for 6th Annual Women of Excellence Awards

Baton Rouge, Louisiana – The Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation is now accepting nominations for the 2013 Women of Excellence Awards. The awards recognize and honor the exemplary achievements and contributions of extraordinary Louisiana women who personify excellence in their leadership, profession, academics, community service, character and integrity. The categories for the awards are:

- Business
- College Woman of Excellence (ages 18 to 25)
- Education & Research
- Louisiana Hero of Excellence (*new this year*)
- Military (*new this year*)
- High School Woman of Excellence (for graduating seniors)
- Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM)

The High School Woman of Excellence Award and the College Woman of Excellence Award winners will each receive the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation Scholarship for \$1,000. Since 2010, the women legislators through their foundation have awarded \$13,000 in scholarships to deserving young women in Louisiana.

Beginning Monday, December 3, 2012, nomination forms for the Women of Excellence Awards can be downloaded from the Women's Caucus website at <http://llwc.louisiana.gov>. The deadline to receive nomination forms in the Women's Caucus Office is Friday, February 8, 2013. The awards will be given at the 6th Annual Women of Excellence Awards & Scholarship Gala in May 2013 in Baton Rouge, Louisiana at a time and location to be announced.

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Louisiana Legislative Women’s Caucus Foundation

OUR MISSION

The Louisiana Legislative Women’s Caucus Foundation’s mission is: *“To prepare and develop women leaders in Louisiana to be significant contributors and achievers in society.”*

WHO WE ARE

The Louisiana Legislative Women’s Caucus Foundation is a non-profit corporation with an IRS designation of 501(c)(3). It is administered by the Louisiana Legislative Women’s Caucus, which is comprised of women legislators currently serving in the Louisiana Legislature. The selection of the Women of Excellence Awards and scholarship recipients is made by an awards and scholarship committee. This committee makes its decisions based on defined criteria and works independently of the women legislators. Members of the Louisiana Legislative Women’s Caucus and its staff do not serve on the awards and scholarship committee.

OUR PHILOSOPHY

The Foundation prides itself on encouraging women of Louisiana to uphold high levels of integrity, excellence in character, leadership and service to others and outstanding work and academic standards. We believe these factors are the primary ingredients for success for every role a woman has in her lifetime.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Women of Excellence Awards & Scholarship Program recognizes and honors the exemplary achievements and contributions of extraordinary women in Louisiana who personify excellence in their leadership, profession, academics, community service, character and integrity. The Foundation also supports the educational advancement of deserving young women in Louisiana through the awarding of scholarships with the Louisiana Legislative Women’s Caucus Foundation Scholarship for \$1,000 and the Educational Advancement Opportunity (EAO) Scholarship for \$500.

View excerpts of the 2012’s Women of Excellence Awards and Scholarship Gala online at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XegG4Yb1nwk&feature=share&list=UUBR0uJKc9xIz1p2DHjTyJbw>