



Long Island Chapter

March 2, 2008

Subject: John R. Weeks Memorial Scholarship Program - 2008

Dear Principal:

I am writing to advise you that the Long Island Chapter of ASM International (LIASM) is offering two scholarships this year to qualified graduates of a secondary school in either Nassau or Suffolk county who are interested in pursuing careers in **MATERIALS SCIENCE OR MATERIALS ENGINEERING**. The two scholarships are named in honor of one of our most distinguished members, a staunch advocate of our scholarship program, and are worth \$500/year for up to four years. They are being offered to students who plan to enter a four-year academic program that leads to a degree with a major in a **materials-related field**. Please note that the term "**materials**" is used in the specific context of **metals, alloys, ceramics, polymers, composites, etc.** The awards are available to students who reside in Nassau or Suffolk County and will be made based on the following criteria:

1. Candidates must have a stated interest in pursuing an education that leads to a career principally in **MATERIALS SCIENCE, MATERIALS ENGINEERING OR MATERIALS TECHNOLOGY**. A brief paragraph stating the candidate's interest in such studies is a **REQUIRED** part of the application. Students wishing to pursue studies in other disciplines (e.g., biology, computer programming, electrical engineering, psychology, etc.) are **NOT ELIGIBLE** for consideration.
2. Academic Performance (grades, SAT scores, School activities, Class standing).

The applications will be judged by a committee of LIASM members who are active in the materials-related fields and are familiar with the programs offered at the various universities and colleges. The winners will be required to provide the LIASM with a transcript of grades at the end of each academic year, along with a statement that they are continuing towards a major in a **materials-related** field, in order to be eligible to receive subsequent years' stipends.

Applications should be sent to the undersigned no later than April 30, 2008, to be considered for the year 2007 awards. Application forms are enclosed; each should be accompanied by a brief letter of reference from a qualified high school staff member providing an evaluation of the student's performance in the areas cited above.