




ING Unsung Heroes[®] Awards Program

2012 Application

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ING Unsung Heroes® – Rewarding Excellence in America's Schools

The ING Unsung Heroes program has helped more than a thousand K-12 educators and their schools fund innovative classroom projects through awards totaling more than \$3 million.

Do you or does someone you know have a creative, unique educational program that is helping students reach new heights? Or is there a program you'd like to implement, if only you had the proper funding? Fill out the attached application and apply for an award today.



To Apply for a 2012 Award

To ensure impartiality, the 2012 program will again be managed by Scholarship America. Applications must be postmarked by April 30, 2012. To apply, complete the attached application. Additional application forms may be obtained by contacting Scholarship America or your local ING representative. The attached application may also be photocopied. To download another application and to receive more detailed information about the award recipients and their winning projects, visit the ING Unsung Heroes awards program website at: www.unsungheroes.com.

Who's Eligible?

All K-12 education professionals, whether or not they are clients of ING, are eligible. Specifically, these individuals must be:

- Employed by an accredited K-12 public or private school located in the United States
- Full-time educators, teachers, principals, paraprofessionals, or classified staff with effective projects that improve student learning

Awards are granted without regard to race, color, creed, religion, age, gender, disability, or national origin.

Previous recipients of ING Unsung Heroes awards are not eligible to apply for another award.

Awards

All awards must be used to further the projects within the school or school system. Indirect costs or administrative fees should not be paid or withheld from the grant award. Each of the 100 finalists will receive an award of \$2,000. Award checks are made payable jointly to the recipient and to his or her school. At least one award will be granted in each of the 50 United States, provided one or more qualified applications are received from each state. Of the 100 finalists, three will be selected for additional financial awards. First place will receive \$25,000; second place will receive \$10,000; and the third place winner will receive \$5,000.

Selection of Finalists

Scholarship America will select 100 finalists. ING's Educators Advisory Board, consisting of teachers and education administrators, will select recipients of the top three awards in the summer of 2012. By October 2012, applicants will be notified whether or not they have been selected to receive an award.

Obligations and Revisions

Recipients have no obligation to ING. They are, however, required to notify Scholarship America of any changes of address or other relevant information. ING reserves the right to review the conditions and procedures of this program and to make changes at any time, including termination of the program.

Application Deadline

Applications must be postmarked no later than April 30, 2012. Applicants are responsible for submitting all necessary information in the required format.

Completed applications may not be faxed. They must be mailed to:

ING Unsung Heroes Awards Program
c/o Scholarship America
One Scholarship Way
P.O. Box 297
St. Peter, MN 56082

Questions regarding the program should be addressed to Scholarship America:

Phone: (507) 931-1682

or (800) 537-4180

E-mail: ing@scholarshipamerica.org

2010 ING Unsung Heroes Top Winners:



1st Place

\$27,000

Jeremy Stone

Common Ground High School
New Haven, Connecticut



2nd Place

\$12,000

Robb Janov

Jefferson Middle School
Albuquerque, New Mexico



3rd Place

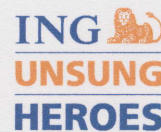
\$7,000

Penelope Singleton

Cherokee High School
Canton, Georgia

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The applicant is responsible for completing sections A, B, and C and obtaining the required verification signature in section D. The applicant is also responsible for submitting all application materials, including typewritten responses to the statements on the reverse side of the application. **If you represent a team effort, list only one name as "Applicant"; list other names on a separate sheet.**

Section A – Applicant Information (please type or print clearly)

Name (Last) Tavares	(First) Linda	(MI) L	Home E-mail ltavares@comcast.net
Home Address 16044 Beechnut Drive			Work E-mail ltavares@ccboe.com
City/Town Brandywine	State MD	Zip Code 20613	Indicate your status (optional, for statistical purposes only) <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Alaskan Native <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian <input type="checkbox"/> African American <input type="checkbox"/> Asian, Pacific Islander, or East Indian
Home Phone Number (301) 579-9970	Work Phone Number (301) 645-3338		

How did you hear about this program? (for statistical purposes only)

Internet Website Google Search ING Company Newsletter _____
 An ING Agent: _____ Newspaper/magazine: _____
 Other: _____

Section B – School Information

School Name Arthur Middleton Elementary School	School District/Parish Charles County		
School Address 1109 Copley Avenue	School Phone Number (301) 645-3338	School Fax Number (301) 645-0931	
City/Town Waldorf	State MD	Zip Code 20602	School's/Classroom's Complete Website Address http://www.edline.net/pages/Arthur_Middleton_Element
Your Job Title Fourth Grade Teacher	Type of School <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Elementary <input type="checkbox"/> Middle <input type="checkbox"/> High	Number of Students Enrolled 449	

Section C – Project Information

Project Title/Identify your project in a few words (example: "Take Five, Teach Five"/Mentoring Project)
"Lights, Camera, Action!"/Digital Storytelling Project

Indicate the grade(s) in which your project is (will be) applicable: Fourth Indicate class size/number of students involved: _____

Section D – Signatures (Required)

In submitting this application, I certify that the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Falsification of information may result in termination of any award granted. I understand that all information will be shared with ING and its subsidiaries and may be used for publicity purposes. This application becomes the property of ING, its subsidiaries, and Scholarship America.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

This application must be verified by the school superintendent, principal, or applicant's immediate supervisor. Obtain the appropriate signature below.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Title: _____ Phone Number: () _____

FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY:
AGENT NUMBER:

Respond briefly to the three topics below. Limit each statement response to 12-point, double-spaced type on one side of 8½" x 11" paper (approximately 250 words, using one-inch margins). Please label each response using the corresponding statement heading, and include your name in the upper right corner of each page. The total number of pages submitted may not exceed three pages. All applications exceeding this limitation or following another format are subject to disqualification. Supplementary materials such as tapes, news articles, scrapbooks, and so forth, will NOT be reviewed.

Statement I: Project Description

Provide a thorough description of your project, clearly stating what you and your students will do. Describe its objectives. Tell how your project is new or different.

Statement II: Benefits to Students

How many students does or will the project directly benefit? How will your project improve student learning and impact other students and teachers, parents, and your community? How do you or will you evaluate the effectiveness of your project?

Statement III: Use of Funds

Tell what funds/money, materials, or other resources you currently use or will use to operate your project. How will you use the \$2,000 award? How will you use additional money up to \$25,000? Include a line-item budget that summarizes or categorizes similar items together. Use the following format:

\$2,000 award:

Line item 1	\$ 00.00
Line item 2	\$ 00.00
Total	\$ 00.00

Additional \$10,000 award:

Line item 1	\$ 00.00
Line item 2	\$ 00.00
Total	\$ 00.00

Additional \$5,000 award:

Line item 1	\$ 00.00
Line item 2	\$ 00.00
Total	\$ 00.00

Additional \$25,000 award:

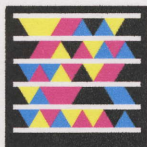
Line item 1	\$ 00.00
Line item 2	\$ 00.00
Total	\$ 00.00

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