

**BAHAMAS PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE YEAR FOUNDATION  
2011 BAHAMAS PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE YEAR  
Official Application Form**

**Looking for the BEST & BRIGHTEST Primary School Students**

The Bahamas Primary School Student of the Year Foundation is pleased to announce that its annual nationwide search is currently being conducted for the best primary school students. This prestigious competition that was established in 1997 will recognize young, talented grade 6 students from throughout The Bahamas for their high scholastic and extra-curricular achievements in the 2011 Bahamas Primary School Student of the Year Awards Program.

**Important Information**

Application forms will be considered incomplete if any of the application requirements are missing.

An independent Distinguished Panel of Judges will review application packages received and determine the overall winner and finalists. **THE DECISION OF THE JUDGES IS FINAL.**

Nominees will be judged on the following criteria: contribution to school life, academic achievement, extra-curricular achievement, community involvement and overall presentation of the portfolio submitted. **(Academic achievement alone does not guarantee placement in the Awards program.)**

Nominees will be competing for scholarships and prizes. All scholarships must be used for Bahamian secondary education purposes only.

The contest is opened to any 6th Grade Student regardless of colour, creed, nationality or religious affiliation from any accredited private, public or independent primary school in The Bahamas.

**SCHOOLS CAN NOMINATE ONLY ONE (1) STUDENT.**

**The deadline for submission of completed application packages for the 2011 Bahamas Primary School Student of the Year will be Friday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at 5:00pm EST.** The Foundation will not be responsible for application packages which are late, lost, illegible, damaged, or incorrectly addressed. **All packages submitted will become the property of The Bahamas Primary School Student of the Year Foundation and WILL NOT BE RETURNED.**

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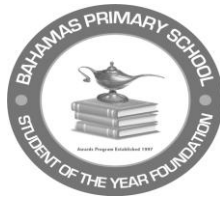
**The Application Requirements**

- (a) A completed application form
- (b) A 400 word essay on the topic: **“The Power of MY dream”**

**The essay must be legibly hand written in black or blue ink.**

Essays must be the student's original work and must not infringe upon any material protected by copyright laws.

- (c) An essay which was submitted and graded as a part of the applicant's school requirement **must be** attached to the application package. (5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> grade only)
- (d) Copies of official report cards (covering 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grades only)
- (e) Three high quality headshot colour 4 x 6 photographs (These photos are for the newspapers, website and souvenir awards booklet.) Photos will not be returned. (**Preferable choice of attire: school uniform**)
- (f) Newspaper clippings / copies of awards & certificates (covering 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grades only)
- (g) Three (3) letters of recommendation:
  - (1) School Principal / Vice-Principal (The letter from the Principal / Vice-Principal officially nominates the student for this award. **Please note that any application missing this letter will automatically be disqualified.**)
  - (2) Classroom teacher / civic or community leader / former teacher;
  - (3) Religious leader / extra-curricular coach (ie. Sports or Dance).
- (h) The above items should be neatly attached to a portfolio or folder.
- (i) The portfolio / folder is limited to a maximum of 50 leaflet pages (using both sides) and **should not be larger than 10' x 12'**. The nominee is requested to adhere to these requirements.



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Please legibly write or type all information requested. Application packages will be rated on appearance, verifiability of information, clarity, and evidence of achievements. **Application packages missing any required items or arriving after the February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2011 deadline would be disqualified.**

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Office use only)*

**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Island: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ hm. \_\_\_\_\_ wk.

e-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ hm. \_\_\_\_\_ wk.

e-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**SCHOOL INFORMATION**

Primary School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Island: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Point Average: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Six Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

## AWARDS & HONOURS

Awards, Certificates & Honours:


List all campus / sporting organizations (include office(s) held): **(Please provide proof of the length of participation in each organization listed)**


List all civic / community / religious organizations (include office(s) held): **(Please provide proof of the length of participation in each organization listed)**




## GUIDELINES

**The applicant's Parent/Guardian MUST initial the Bahamas Primary School Student of the Year Awards Application Form Guidelines listed below;**

Nominees will be competing for scholarships and prizes. All scholarships **must be used** for Bahamian secondary education purposes only. This includes tuition and examination fees, books and educational equipment which will be limited to computers only. \_\_\_\_\_

All award packages submitted will become the property of The Bahamas Primary School Student of the Year Foundation and will not be returned. \_\_\_\_\_

The information in this package is accurate and represents the true efforts and achievements of the nominee. \_\_\_\_\_.

Parents and nominees accept that packages received will be reviewed by an independent Distinguished Panel of Judges to determine the overall winner and finalists. **THE DECISION OF THE JUDGES IS FINAL.** \_\_\_\_\_

By entering this Awards program, parents and nominees agree to be bound by these rules and consent to the use of the nominee's name and likeness in any public relations effort of The Foundation. \_\_\_\_\_

## SIGNATURES

Student's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Principal/Vice-Principal Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*(Please note that the above signatures are required for the form to be complete. The Parent / Guardian's signature verifies that they are aware of the requirements for the award. The Principal / Vice-Principal's signature, along with the accompanying letter nominates the student on behalf of the school.)*

**Application deadline is Friday, February 11th, 2011 . 5:00pm EST**

**ALL APPLICATION PACKAGES MUST BE HAND DELIVERED OR SENT VIA COURIER TO ANY OF THE ADDRESSES BELOW ON OR BEFORE FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11<sup>th</sup>, 2011 – 5:00pm, EST**

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Director of Operations  
Bahamas Primary School Student of the Year Foundation  
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Poinciana Dr. (Opposite College of The Bahamas Entrance & Next to  
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## **Members of The Board of Directors of The Bahamas Primary School Student of the Year Foundation**



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