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The Louie F. Cox Memorial  
AK Steel Foundation African-American  
Scholarship Program 2012



*Administered by The Middletown Community Foundation*

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Deadline for applications is December 30, 2011

# The Louie F. Cox Memorial AK Steel Foundation African-American Scholarship Program

## Terms of Eligibility and Application Procedures — 2012

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### **Purpose**

The Louie F. Cox Memorial AK Steel Foundation African-American Scholarships are intended to recognize and reward outstanding high school academic and non-academic achievements, and to provide financial assistance to deserving scholars pursuing a bachelor's degree on a full-time basis from an accredited U.S. state or private not-for-profit college or university. The scholarship does not cover attendance at for-profit colleges, for-profit universities or trade schools.

The scholarships are awarded for payment of authorized college expenses of \$5,000 annually, renewable for a maximum of three years, for a total potential scholarship of \$20,000. Authorized expenses are tuition, academic fees, books, and room and board.

### **High School Senior Eligibility**

To be eligible, a student must be an African-American meeting the Equal Employment Opportunity's EEO-1 definition of "all persons having origins in the Black racial groups of Africa." The student must be a high school senior who will graduate from a high school located within the counties of Butler and Warren in Ohio.

To retain eligibility, a student must graduate from high school in the spring of 2012 and enter an accredited U.S. state or private not-for-profit college or university on a full-time basis (for-profit colleges, universities or trade schools are not eligible) no later than the beginning of the 2012-2013 academic year. If a student fails to do either, any previously granted scholarship award will be forfeited without any opportunity for reinstatement. Exceptions to this policy may be granted for up to one year, at the sole discretion of The Middletown Community Foundation, for extreme circumstances, such as a significant health or family circumstance. Such exceptions shall be granted only with the prior approval of The Middletown Community Foundation.

### **Eligibility Exceptions**

An otherwise eligible student who accepts a U.S. Military Academy appointment, or who receives a full scholarship (academic, sports, performing arts or other) will no

longer be eligible to receive the Louie F. Cox Memorial AK Steel Foundation African-American Scholarship. Full scholarships include tuition, academic fees, books, and room and board.

It is the responsibility of the scholarship recipient to notify The Middletown Community Foundation immediately if the student accepts a full scholarship subsequent to being awarded a Louie F. Cox Memorial AK Steel Foundation African-American Scholarship.

The Middletown Community Foundation reserves the right to give consideration to, and render decisions based on circumstances not specifically mentioned or anticipated herein regarding student eligibility. In all such cases, the interpretation of circumstances and decisions rendered by The Middletown Community Foundation are final.

### **How to Apply**

Eligible students should complete an application form and mail it to The Middletown Community Foundation in Middletown, Ohio. Portions of the application must also be completed and signed by the student's high school principal or guidance counselor and at least one parent.

The original completed and signed application form must be received at The Middletown Community Foundation with a postmark of or prior to December 30, 2011. It is the responsibility of the applicant to obtain verification that the application was received by the deadline. Application forms, which include these Terms of Eligibility and Application Procedures, are available from the following:

The Middletown Community Foundation  
300 North Main Street, Suite 300  
Middletown, OH 45042  
(513) 424-7369  
[www.mcfoundation.org](http://www.mcfoundation.org)

### **Selection of Scholarship Recipients**

The administration of the Louie F. Cox Memorial AK Steel Foundation African-American Scholarship program is conducted by The Middletown Community Foundation. No preference will be given to AK Steel employees or their children. Association with AK Steel

or its subsidiaries is not a condition of eligibility. Final scholarship recipients are selected by an independent committee of college professionals selected solely by The Middletown Community Foundation. No employees of AK Steel Foundation, AK Steel or members of The AK Steel Foundation are involved in any way with the appointment of the independent selection committee members or of the selection of scholarship recipients. Students are strongly encouraged to take SAT and ACT tests well in advance of the scholarship deadline.

## Renewal

Eligibility for annual renewal of a scholarship is determined solely by The Middletown Community Foundation, and is based upon satisfactory academic progress as a full-time student and submission of an annual student statement.

The Middletown Community Foundation will communicate with scholars the specific academic criteria and deadlines for renewal. The purpose of the Louie F. Cox Memorial AK Steel Foundation African-American Scholarship program is to reward and assist students in achieving a bachelor's degree at an accredited U.S. state or private not-for-profit college or university in four sequential years. For-profit colleges, for-profit universities and trade schools are not eligible. Students not adhering to normal full-time continuous enrollment are subject to the permanent loss of renewal of the scholarship, subject only to the exception as noted under the heading "**High School Senior Eligibility**" above.

Louie F. Cox Memorial AK Steel Foundation African-American Scholarship recipients remain eligible for renewal for a maximum of three years, even if they have successfully completed the requirements for a bachelor's degree in less than four years. An advanced degree renewal covers a full-time second or advanced degree program at an accredited eligible university or college.

Any student meeting these criteria and seeking to renew his or her scholarship, must be eligible, and have prior written approval from The Middletown Community Foundation, and be enrolled and pursuing the second or advanced degree within 12 calendar months of successful completion of the undergraduate degree.

## Payment of Funds

The Middletown Community Foundation will issue annual scholarship checks in August, made payable to the student's college or university, and mailed directly to the school, with instruction to apply the entire amount immediately to the student's account.

## Program Changes

The Middletown Community Foundation reserves the right to suspend, revise, revoke or terminate this program at any time, although any such action would not affect previously awarded scholarships. The supervision of all aspects of the Louie F. Cox Memorial AK Steel Foundation African-American Scholarship program is determined by The Middletown Community Foundation, whose decisions are final.

## Important Notice

You must mail your application, with original signatures, by U.S. Mail, or by a private express mail delivery service (Federal Express, UPS, DHL, etc.) to The Middletown Community Foundation. The Middletown Community Foundation will not accept e-mailed, faxed or personally delivered applications. We strongly encourage applicants to utilize a mail delivery method that provides proof of delivery date and tracking information.

We also strongly encourage students to enclose with the application a stamped, self-addressed envelope and request that The Middletown Community Foundation notify you that your application has been timely received. You may also request that The Middletown Community Foundation send you a confirming e-mail, provided you supply a valid e-mail address. Students are responsible for maintaining all records of receipt.

The award of a Louie F. Cox Memorial AK Steel Foundation African-American Scholarship does not constitute application for, or admission to, a college or university. Students are responsible for making application to any college or university.

## Questions?

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# The Louie F. Cox Memorial

## AK Steel Foundation African-American Scholarship 2012

### List of Completed items

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

Please submit the following pieces of information for consideration of this scholarship.

1. Scholarship Application
2. Media Release
3. Counselor's Evaluation
4. High School Records Release

Originals of each document are required. If you have any questions, please contact The Middletown Community Foundation at 513-424-7369.

# The Louie F. Cox Memorial

## AK Steel Foundation African-American Scholarship Application

Deadline for applications is December 30, 2011 [Print Clearly]

### Student Information

Mr./Ms. Last Name First Name Middle Name Date of Birth  
(Circle one)

Home Address City State Zip Code  
( ) ( )

Home Phone Cell Phone Home E-mail

High School Name/Town Month/Year of Graduation

I have read and understand the accompanying **Terms of Eligibility and Application Procedures 2012**, and I hereby authorize my high school to complete the information requested below. Further, I attest that I am eligible for this scholarship because I am a high school senior who will be graduating in spring 2012, I am African-American—per the terms outlined in the scholarship Terms of Eligibility, and I live in Butler or Warren County, Ohio.

Student Signature Date

### High School Principal/Guidance Counselor Information

Is this student a senior in high school? (circle one) Yes No  
High School Graduation Date (Month/Year) \_\_\_\_\_

HS GPA 

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HS Class Rank 

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SAT Score/Date \_\_\_\_\_

HS Class Size 

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ACT Score/Date \_\_\_\_\_

Principal or Guidance Counselor Name (Print) Signature Date

### Parent/Guardian Information

Last Name First Name Middle Name

Home Address City State Zip Code  
( ) ( )

Home Phone Cell Phone Home E-mail

Parent/Guardian Signature Date

This original completed and signed application form must be received at The Middletown Community Foundation with a postmark dated on or before December 30, 2011. See the accompanying **Terms of Eligibility and Application Procedures 2012** for more information.

#### Mail Completed Original Form To:

Louie F. Cox Memorial  
AK Steel Foundation African-American Scholarship  
The Middletown Community Foundation  
300 North Main Street, Suite 300  
Middletown, OH 45042

# The Louie F. Cox Memorial

## AK Steel Foundation African-American Scholarship Application 2012

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

1. College or university you plan to attend \_\_\_\_\_

Located in (City, State) \_\_\_\_\_

2. Employment history (give name and address of employer, hours per week, job duties)

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3. School activities in grades 9 - 12

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4. Academic awards received

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5. Community service activities

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**6. What is your intended major in college? Why did you choose this major?**

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**7. What are your goals for five years from now?**

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**8. Describe the kind of person you think you are.**

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**9. The Louie F. Cox Memorial AK Steel Foundation African-American Scholarship was developed with the help of, and is now named in honor of, Mr. Louie Cox, a former AK Steel employee and long-time leader in the Middletown-area community. Mr. Cox was a strong advocate for civil rights and was a president of the Middletown-area branch of the NAACP. Inspired by his service, this scholarship is designed to recognize not only outstanding academic achievement, but also dedicated service and leadership in the Middletown-area community, which includes Butler and Warren Counties in Ohio. Why should you be considered for this scholarship?**

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**Please Direct All Questions to  
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(513) 424-7369**

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Media Release

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If chosen as a scholarship recipient, we agree to allow The Middletown Community Foundation, The AK Steel Foundation and the Middletown-area branch of the NAACP to use our names and photographs, and our child's name and photograph in any publicity surrounding the Louie F. Cox Memorial AK Steel Foundation African-American Scholarship.

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Parent's/Guardian's Signature

Date

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Student's Signature

Date

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Printed Name

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Printed Name

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Counselor's Evaluation

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

1. Personal Characteristics:

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2. Leadership Qualities:

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3. School Activities:

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4. Counselor Evaluation of Academic Performance:

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Signature of Counselor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

**This original page, with signatures, must be returned with the completed application.**

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High School Record Release

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We give our permission for the high school counselor (or other school personnel) to send The Middletown Community Foundation a complete transcript of the applicant's high school record (grades 9 - 12), which will include grades, class rank, the results of all available ability and achievement tests and any other pertinent information relative to the student's school performance and activities.

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Parent's/Guardian's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name