

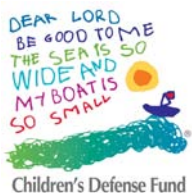
APPLICATION PACKET CHECKLIST
Children's Defense Fund – D.C. Area
Beat the Odds[®] Scholarship
APPLICATIONS ARE DUE MARCH 18, 2011

Incomplete applications *will not* be considered. All application materials must be received together. Therefore, before you submit your application packet, please make sure it is complete. Application packets may be submitted via email or regular mail.

A completed application packet includes:

- ___ **Application form**
- ___ **Student statement:** typed, 12-point font, single-spaced. No longer than two pages, no shorter than one page. Your statement must demonstrate that you:
 - ___ are enrolled in a public or charter school in Washington, DC; Alexandria, Arlington or Fairfax County public school system in Virginia, or Montgomery or Prince George's County public school system in Maryland, and will graduate by July **2012**;
 - ___ have maintained a grade point average of 3.0 or above; showing marked effort, improvement or success;
 - ___ have succeeded in spite of hardships such as poverty, disability, homelessness or personal tragedy; and
 - ___ have participated in activities helpful to others such as volunteerism or other forms of community involvement.
- ___ **Educator recommendation:** from a teacher, guidance counselor or other educator who is familiar with you both personally and academically. No shorter than one page, typed, 12-point font, single-spaced.
- ___ **Additional letter of recommendation:** from anyone (*other than a family member*) who knows you well – for example, a mentor, coach, internship supervisor, clergy member or friend. No shorter than one page, typed, 12-point font, single-spaced.
- ___ **Copy of high school transcript:** The most **recent and complete** for *each* high school attended.

This checklist is provided to assist you.
You do not need to return this sheet with your application.



APPLICATION
Children's Defense Fund
Beat the Odds[®] Scholarship

Please submit your complete application packet to:
The Children's Defense Fund
Attn: Beat the Odds[®] Selection Committee
Children's Defense Fund
25 E Street NW
Washington, DC 20001
or via email at BTO@childrensdefense.org

THE APPLICATION DEADLINE IS MARCH 18, 2011

TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY IN BLUE OR BLACK INK ONLY.

Student's Name

Age

Overall G.P.A.

Ethnicity (optional)

Email

Street Address (include apartment number)

City

State

Zip Code

Home phone #

Second phone # (cell, work, etc.)

Number of Persons in Family

Estimated Annual Family Income

High School/Organization

Name & Title of Contact Person at
High School/Organization

Phone #

Email

