



**Bremerton Area
Chamber of Commerce**

**Scholarship
opportunity!**

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2012 Armed Forces Festival Ambassadors Program

*Presented by the
Bremerton Area Chamber of Commerce*

This is your chance to represent your community by becoming a part of the **2012 Armed Forces Festival Ambassadors Program!** This program enables you to participate in Kitsap County's 64th Annual Armed Forces Festival, honoring our friends and family serving in the military.

Simply complete the attached application and submit it along with three letters of recommendation, a copy of your high school transcript and a short essay (150 to 200 words) entitled "What Freedom Means to Me" and you are ready to go!

Applications must be received by the Bremerton Area Chamber of Commerce by **4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January, 6, 2012.** Five finalists will then be selected to participate in the Armed Forces Festival Ambassadors Program.

Finalists enjoy many activities for self-improvement and community service leading up to two judged events: the personal interview and the final program. The Chamber will provide clothing to wear at the various functions at no cost to the finalists.

The final event of the Ambassadors Program will be held at the end of April to kick off the 64th Annual Armed Forces Festival. Armed Forces Festival Ambassadors will represent the community in the 64th Annual Kitsap Sun Armed Forces Day Parade on Saturday, May 19, 2012 and at other events throughout the summer.

Scholarships will be presented as follows:

➤ First Place	\$1,500
➤ Second Place	\$ 700
➤ Third Place	\$ 500
➤ Fourth Place	\$ 300
➤ Fifth Place	\$ 100
➤ Best Essay	\$ 100

All finalists win self-confidence, public speaking and social skills, introductions to civic, business and political leaders and the skills necessary for success in future endeavors.

Just think . . . you could be an Armed Forces Festival Ambassador!

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Criteria

Applicant must:

- be a resident of Kitsap County
- be between the ages of 16 and 20 (as of January 31, 2012)
- be a high school graduate, 2012 graduating senior, college student or career person
- have at least a 2.5 cumulative high school grade point average
- be of good moral character
- not have been convicted of any crime

Rules

Finalists must:

Exhibit good moral character and must not commit any actions that might cause embarrassment or adverse publicity to the program, sponsors or the Bremerton Area Chamber of Commerce.

Agree to adhere to the direction of the Ambassador Program Committee with regard to behavior, wardrobe, appearance and general representation of the Chamber of Commerce. Members are not to wear official Ambassadors clothing without prior approval of the Ambassador Program Committee.

Agree to participate in activities such as greeting Chamber and City officials and guests at ceremonies and other public appearances on behalf of the Bremerton Area Chamber of Commerce. This includes participating in Armed Forces Festival activities on Saturday, May 19, 2012.

Give permission to the Bremerton Area Chamber of Commerce to take photographs and/or video to be used in promotional materials (newsletter, community guides, newspapers, etc.).

Complete all appropriate forms and agreements.

Finalists will be notified by Friday, January 20, 2012.



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Applicant's Name _____

Address _____

City/State/ZIP _____ Telephone _____

Email Address _____

Name(s) of Parent(s) or Legal Guardian(s) _____

Address (if different from above) _____

City/State/ZIP _____ Telephone _____

Email Address _____

Pager/Cell Phone _____

School _____ GPA _____

Employer _____

Supervisor's Name _____ Telephone _____

Extra-curricular school activities, civic and community involvement

Awards received and/or outstanding accomplishments

(Please attach separate sheet if necessary)



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Agreement

I have read and understood the rules and criteria of the 2012 Armed Forces Festival Ambassadors Program, including that finalists must be available to participate in Armed Forces Day activities (Saturday, May 19, 2012). Furthermore, I agree to abide by the rules outlined and that the information I have provided is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also understand that any infraction of the outlined rules may result in my removal from the program.

Applicant's Signature

Date

I, the parent and/or legal guardian of this applicant, give my permission for her/his participation in the activities leading up to and including the 2012 Armed Forces Festival Ambassadors Program.

Parent / Guardian Signature

Date

Please return this application by
4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 6, 2012

to

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Application packet must include:

- Completed application and official high school transcripts
- Short essay (150-200 words) entitled "What Freedom Means to Me"
- Letters of recommendation from three adults not related to the applicant