



# 2012 Financial Aid or Merit Scholarship Application

This two-sided form must be attached to your program application in order to be considered for a financial award. As part of this process please consider seeking out sources of support in your community. Many professionals, service organizations, schools, and philanthropists welcome opportunities to support the education of bright youth.

Financial aid and merit scholarships range from partial tuition to smaller awards covering only the application fee. Award amounts are determined on a sliding scale based on financial need, while merit awards are determined competitively. All decisions are final. A limited number of merit scholarships will be granted—applicants should note that all CBK applicants are highly successful.

**Application RECEIPT Deadline is April 30th, 2012—no awards will be reviewed after this date**

## Award Applied For

- Financial Aid** based on financial need; tax forms required for documentation
- Merit Scholarship** based on documented student performance and essay

**If applying for both, two separate applications for awards must be prepared**

## Applicant Information

Applicant's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First M.I.

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Last First

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of employment: \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Employment: \_\_\_\_\_

Business/Cell Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Business/Cell Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Check here if you are applying by portfolio application**

## Notification

Once the Committee has made a determination, the candidate will be notified May 14th as to the amount of the award, if any. This notification will be made by phone and prior to the final payment deadline of May 21st for Summer Programs. If the decision affects the student's ability to attend the program, please notify CBK immediately so that a waitlisted student may take the candidate's place. Awards will be applied directly against total payment for the program. No monetary funds will be distributed to families. Please do not call CBK to check on your award status—contacts will be made as quickly as possible.

## Required Documentation for Merit Scholarship

- CBK Summer Programs Application
- Merit Portfolio—for awards \$100 or greater; Merit Essay also required (see below)  
The portfolio should be no larger than 8.5"x11" and contain no more than 10 pages, contained in a folder. These materials will not be returned and do not have to directly relate to chosen Summer Programs course content. The portfolio should demonstrate scholarliness, creativity, leadership, community service, and/or originality.
- Merit Essay—for awards less than \$100  
In addition to application essay, this essay of no more than 250 words should address what makes the candidate stand out in a group of high-interest or high-ability peers. Please note that **all CBK applicants are highly qualified.**
- Merit Letter of Recommendation (In addition to 2 required for application—no more than 2 merit letters, please). These letters should specifically address how the candidate stands out in a field of equally gifted academic peers.

**Enter test scores for at least one of the following tests for merit scholarship consideration.**

SAT: Test Date _____	ACT: Test Date _____	EXPLORE: Test Date _____
Critical Reading _____	Reading _____ English _____	Reading _____ English _____
Math _____	Math _____ Science _____	Math _____ Science _____

## Required Documentation for Financial Aid

- CBK Summer Programs Application and all required forms
- 2011 IRS Tax Return Form
- 2011 IRS W-2 Forms
- Statement of Need (see below)
- Official free and reduced lunch documentation

## Statement of Need

- Documentation of extenuating economic problems in current year (ex. loss of job, long-term medical care) (if appropriate)

**Please explain the situation or reason that warrants financial aid and provide any other reasons you feel would be important for the committee to consider—please note that the *average* annual family income of our award group in the last several years was \$32,000.**

## Signatures

We, the undersigned, verify the honesty and authenticity of all materials which have been submitted and agree to the terms of the financial aid and merit scholarship information. I understand that financial aid and merit scholarships are only applied against program tuition, and do not include coverage for additional optional student expenses, the application fee, or any assessed damage fees. I also understand I am fully responsible for paying any adjusted amount by the **May 21st, 2012**, deadline.

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**The \$50 application fee must still be made with this application.  
A valid credit card authorization damage deposit will be required upon final acceptance.  
Final tuition and fee payments are due no later than May 21st, 2012.**