## **A+ Program Application**

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I wish to participate in the A+ Schools Program's student financial incentive at Lighthouse Preparatory Academy. If state funds are available and Lighthouse Preparatory Academy is redesignated an A+ School prior to my graduation, I may be eligible to receive reimbursement for the cost of tuition and general fees while attending a Missouri public community college or vocational-technical school on a full-time basis. This reimbursement will be for the unpaid balance after federal post-secondary financial assistance funds (that do not require repayment) have been applied. \* This is on condition that I meet all the following requirements:

- Be a U.S. citizen, eligible non-citizen or lawfully present in the U.S.
- Attend a designated A+ high school for 3 consecutive years prior to graduation.
- Graduate with an overall grade point average of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale.
- Have at least a 95% attendance record overall for grades 9-12.
- Perform at least 50 hours of unpaid tutoring or mentoring, of which up to 25% may include job shadowing.
- Maintain a record of good citizenship and avoid the unlawful use of drugs and/or alcohol.
- Achieved at least one of these combinations of Math ACT Score & High School GPA:
  - 0 17 or higher on ACT Math test and 2.5 or greater High school GPA
  - 0 16 on ACT Math test <u>and</u> 2.8 or greater High school GPA
  - 0 15 on ACT Math test and 3.0 or greater High school GPA

The student financial incentive may be available for up to two (2) years of attendance during the four-year period after I graduate from high school.To maintain eligibility, I must:(1) Pursue a degree on a full-time basis at a participating postsecondary school.

(2) Maintain a grade point average of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

Note: The degree being pursued cannot be a degree or certificate in theology or divinity.

I further understand that this application and the Authorization for Release of Records from the Office of Juvenile Court Services must be signed by the applicant and parent/guardian before I will be considered for participation in the A+ Program Student Financial Incentive.

Student Signature\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Signature\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_

## AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF RECORDS FROM THE OFFICE OF JUVENILE COURT SERVICES

We hereby authorize the release of any Office of Juvenile Court Services records concerning me/my child to Lighthouse Preparatory Academy be used in monitoring the good citizenship requirement of the student financial incentive part of the A+ Schools Program.

Date\_\_\_

Date

Note: The signing and returning of this form with the A+ Program application is required before the student will be considered for entrance into the program. A copy of this release form will be furnished to the Office of Juvenile Court Services by the A+ Office.

Lighthouse Preparatory Academy's Administrator	Date
Lighthouse Preparatory Academy's A+ Schools Coordinator	Date

\*The student financial incentive program is dependent upon yearly designation as an A+ school and state appropriations being available from the Missouri General Assembly. Lighthouse Preparatory Academy does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, color, national origin, sex, or disabled conditions. This policy regards admission/access to/treatment/employment in its programs and activities.