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TO: Key Leaders
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DATE: February 16, 2010
SUBJECT: OSTEOCHAMPS SCHOLARSHIPS



Greetings from the Osteopathic Foundation of West Michigan!
I am pleased to announce the annual opportunity for you to inform your students about the OsteoCHAMPS scholarship program.

OsteoCHAMPS is an awesome opportunity for students who would like to explore the possibility of becoming a physician. The Osteopathic Foundation of West Michigan offers full scholarships for students currently in their sophomore or junior year of high school. Students chosen to receive scholarships are either ethnic minorities or economically or educationally disadvantaged. This scholarship covers the full cost (\$2,000 per session) to attend the OsteoCHAMPS Summer Precollege Enrichment Program at the MSU College of Osteopathic Medicine. In addition, MSU's Muskegon Extension Office monitors and assists students throughout the academic school year by coordinating meetings and activities to build upon the OsteoCHAMPS summer learning experience. Also, each student is aligned with a local Osteopathic physician, who serves as a mentor.

This year, the Foundation is offering 18 scholarships, of which approximately four or five will be filled by eligible returning students. Attached is a packet containing additional details about the program. Please notify students at your school of this exciting opportunity!

Interested students should visit our website: www.osteopathicfoundation.org. There, they will find the scholarship eligibility information and application form. We require that the application form be completed electronically (PDF file is formatted for this). Once completed, students will need to print it out, sign and obtain the signature of a parent or guardian, and submit it along with the required documents. All applications and required documentation must be received by the Foundation on or before April 16.

If you have any questions, please contact Pam at the Foundation's office.

Sincerely,

Frank P. Marczak, Ed.D.
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