



The Audrey Miller Poritzky  
Education Fund for Children

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Memorial Scholarship

2008-09 Application

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

GED/Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

The Audrey Miller Poritzky Education Fund for Children (AMP Fund) was established in 2004 upon the untimely death of Audrey from cancer at the age of 32. Audrey's career and passion focused on education reform and mentoring students in the public school system. Thus, the AMP Fund dedicates itself to helping students realize their educational potential through our two pronged approach of individual student mentoring and education system reform. The AMP Fund, partnering with The Children's Aid Society (CAS), has hosted an annual conference for the past 4 years with a focus on reform in public schools. In conjunction with the conference the AMP Fund and CAS have awarded a scholarship to a deserving high school senior looking to go to college.

The AMP Fund awards an annual \$2,500 scholarship (which is matched by the Children's Aid Society for a total of \$5,000) to a deserving student who displays Audrey's attributes of leadership, community service and excellence in education. Beginning in 2008, additional scholarships of \$1,000 and \$500 have also been awarded.

Past AMP Scholarship Award Winners; their high schools and colleges attended:

2005	Wendy Flores	Manhattan Center for Math and Science SUNY Binghamton
2006	Donnell Cunningham	John V. Lindsay Wildcat Academy Charter H.S. Borough of Manhattan Community College
2007	Julissa Guevara	Manhattan Center for Math and Science Union College
2008	Florence Wen	Manhattan Center for Math and Sciences Syracuse University

**THEAUDREY MILLER PORITZKY**  
**MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

**PURPOSE:**

To award the annual AMP Scholarship to be used toward school or school expenses

**ELIGIBILITY:**

High school seniors who are in the process of applying to college. Previous applicants are welcome to apply.

**REQUIREMENTS:**

This award recognizes excellence in education, community service and leadership. In an essay of no more than 1,000 words, tell us what these qualities mean to you, and describe in detail how you demonstrate each of these qualities and why you should be the next AMP award winner

*All essays must be completed by January 15th, 2009 and submitted by hand, U.S. mail or electronic mail to Michael Roberts or Miguel Montes at the Children's Aid Society or one of the CAS affiliated centers.*

***Good luck!***

*Audrey Miller Poritzky was a young woman who had a rare combination of wisdom, beauty, charm, thoughtfulness and a great sense of humor; a person who was genuinely loved and respected by a multitude of adoring friends, family and professional colleagues.*

*Audrey was a kind, loving and dedicated person who touched the lives of everyone who knew her. Her spirit continues to live on in the hearts of all who knew her, while the Audrey Miller Poritzky Education Fund for Children will help ensure that her professional legacy continues to make an impact on the education reform community for years to come.*

*Audrey believed that there was never a shortage of opportunities everyday to have a positive influence on another human being. She used her wit, a fabulous sense of humor, thoughtfulness and uncanny ability to recall thousands of lines from movies to draw people to her. Her kindness and beauty kept them as lifelong friends.*

*Audrey is survived by her husband Dave Poritzky; their beautiful daughter, Sophie; her parents, Anne and Larry Miller; as well as her brother Rob, sister-in-law Amy, nephews Jacob, David and niece, Amanda.*

*Before taking time off for the birth of Sophie, Audrey spent several years working in the education reform field in Philadelphia and New York City. During her time with Philadelphia Futures, a non-profit organization that assists inner-city public high school students to strengthen their academic base through tutoring and mentoring in preparation for the college admissions process, she and her colleagues were honored at a White House ceremony officiated by President Clinton.*

*In New York, Audrey served as an assistant to the President of Citigroup, before moving back to the non-profit sector with Children's Aid Society. One of Audrey's projects, the Community Schools Initiative, provides after-school activities, medical care and other needed services to underprivileged families. She also worked at the Wallace Funds, a foundation that supports a wide spectrum of public-school education reform projects throughout the country.*

*Audrey received her undergraduate degree from the University of Pennsylvania in 1993 where she served as the President of Phi Sigma Sigma Sorority. She received double Masters degrees from the University of Pennsylvania; one in Government Administration from the Fels Institute of Government and the other in Elementary Education from the Graduate School of Education. Upon Audrey's death, the Fels Institute established the Audrey Miller Poritzky Leadership Award, which is awarded to the student who most exemplifies Audrey's strong leadership.*

*Audrey's genuine kindness and caring touched all who knew her. She cherished the time she spent with her family and friends and is sadly missed.*

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*Dedicated to helping students realize their academic potentials and pursue their education dreams*

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