



## A BETTER CHANCE

Opening the door to greater educational opportunities since 1963.

### *A Better Chance Scholar Awards - 2010*

#### **MIDDLE SCHOOL AWARDS**

**The A Better Chance Young Leaders Award** is an annual award for middle school Scholars who demonstrate academic excellence as well as leadership within their school community. The award is presented to six (6) Scholars – two per grade – nationally. Each award winner receives a gift of **\$250**.

#### **HIGH SCHOOL AWARDS**

**The Judith Berry Griffin Award**, which includes a monetary award of **\$1,500**, will be awarded to a senior who has shown the exceptional and steadfast determination to achieve what was a hallmark of Ms. Griffin's successful leadership of A Better Chance from 1982 to 2003. The recipient will demonstrate successes through perseverance toward personal objectives, in spite of obstacles that might have impeded his or her progress.

**The Nancy J. Lucas Memorial Award** was established in loving memory of our Senior Program Coordinator who served the New York Metro Area from 1985 to 2002. Ms. Lucas's family, Delta Sigma Theta sorority sisters, A Better Chance colleagues, and countless alumni who benefited from her services have endowed this award. The award, and the **\$1000** that accompanies it, will be given to a Scholar who demonstrates leadership in promoting equity and justice at his or her school or offers special encouragement to peers.

**The A Better Chance Academic Achievement Award** is presented to a maximum of twelve (12) outstanding seniors who have demonstrated unusual academic distinction. In addition to excelling academically, seniors chosen must exhibit exceptional leadership potential in their school or home community and participate in community service activities. Applicants should have a transcript that demonstrates a willingness to explore the rich environment of their current school and a diverse range of classes. Seniors who have taken advantage of the most challenging courses in their school's rigorous curriculum and have demonstrated their academic prowess throughout their Member School career are encouraged to apply for this award. Each award winner receives a gift of **\$500**.

**The A Better Chance Excellence Award** of **\$350** is given to ten (10) students in grades 9-12 who embody the principles of what it means to be an A Better Chance Scholar. This includes, but is not limited to, demonstrated academic distinction and contributions to his or her school community. Applicants should show creativity and innovation in how they have not just passively matriculated, but have regularly displayed excellence as they consistently achieve in a manner that is representative of the goals and ambitions of A Better Chance and its Member Schools. Additional consideration will be granted to students who not only contribute to their individual school programs, but who have also found ways to give back to A Better Chance.