MLWGS Academic Boosters Club
Membership Form 2013-2014

The MLWGS Academic Boosters Club provides an opportunity for parents to support our Academic Teams. We strive to provide our teams with the monetary and volunteer resources they need to succeed.

Please show your support by making a tax deductible donation to our Academic Teams. The suggested contribution is $35 per student per team. Our goal is 100% membership of families whose students participate. Thank you for supporting our highly successful MLWGS Academic Teams!

Membership Application/Information (one form per student):

Please check the Academic Team(s) in which your student participates so that your donation(s) can be allocated to the team(s) of your choice:

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____

- ☐ Academic Quizbowl (BoB Squad)
- ☐ Debate
- ☐ History Bowl
- ☐ Model UN
- ☐ Academic WorldQuest
- ☐ Forensics
- ☐ Lifesmarts
- ☐ Robotics
- ☐ Chess
- ☐ Future Problem Solvers
- ☐ Model Congress
- ☐ Technology Students Assoc'n

Donation Amount:

- ☐ **$_____ (suggested donation is $35 per team joined)**
- ☐ **Employer matching gift form enclosed [Governor's School Foundation 501c(3)]**

Contact Information:

Parent Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____ Phone Number: (_____) _____

E-mail address: _____

Please make checks payable to: *Governor's School Foundation*
and mail to:

Maggie L. Walker Governor's School for Government and International Studies
Attention Foundation Office, 1000 North Lombardy Street, Richmond, VA 23220

How to Volunteer:

We sincerely appreciate your donation, but also welcome your participation. Check one or more of the activities below and one of or Academic Team representatives will gladly contact you about how you can get involved:

- ☐ I would like to attend Academic Boosters Club monthly meetings.
- ☐ I would like to serve as a parent representative for the following Academic Team: _____.
- ☐ I would like to help with the Night of the Dragon Auction (February 22, 2014).
- ☐ I am available to sell snacks on 8th Grade Testing Days, January 25 and February 2, 2014.
- ☐ I would like to help with the Academic Booster Club Newsletter.
- ☐ Other (please specify): _____.

Academic Boosters Club Teams Info & Fund Raising:

Our Academic Boosters Club engages in fund raising and provides parent-based support for the Academic Teams listed below. Your financial support helps to cover/defray registration costs, sponsor travel & student expenses when traveling afar. In addition to your donations, our **major fundraiser** is the **Night of the Dragon** which will be held this year on **February 22, 2014 at the Hilton Hotel, Short Pump**. This is an elegant evening attended by parents of current and former students, alumni, faculty, staff and community members.

Our Academic Teams have an outstanding track record, as evidenced by these accomplishments from last year:

- **Academic Quiz Bowl (BoB Squad)** – Teams competed in numerous national/college competitions and held a competition at MW hosting 32 teams. (Faculty Sponsor, Hana Reed; Parent Rep – Terri Purcell)
- **History Bowl** – The varsity team placed first in States and attended the National competition in Washington, DC. (Faculty Sponsor - Stephanie Burr; Parent Rep -Terri Purcell)
- **Academic World Quest** – For two consecutive years, Maggie Walker teams have won at the local WorldQuest competitions hosted by the area World Affairs Council. The teams have also placed highly at the National Competitions then held in Washington, DC. (Faculty Sponsor – Brenda Ericson; Parent Rep - Open)
- **Chess** – Students placed first in the Greater Richmond High School Chess League competition and hosted a highly successful summer camp at MW. (Faculty Sponsor - Tom Boyle; Parent Rep - James Steincamp)
- **Debate** – Students competed in the National competition in Philadelphia. (Faculty Sponsor - Dan Brown; Parent Rep - Barrie Bowers)
- **Forensics** – Students competed in multiple categories in District, State and the National competitions in Philadelphia. (Faculty Sponsor - Dan Brown; Parent Rep - Leigh Anne Ratliff)
- **Future Problem Solvers (FPS)** – Students qualified and competed in the FPS State Bowl in Hampton. (Faculty Sponsor - Donna Bennington; Parent Rep - Julie Wang)
- **Lifesmarts –** Students won the state competition and placed 12th at the National competition in Atlanta. (Faculty Sponsor - Don Blanton; Parent Rep - Open)
- **Model Congress** – Students attended regional competitions earning multiple recognitions, and hosted the annual Walker MC conference attended by over 250 students. (Faculty Sponsor, Dave Hillgrove; Parent Rep – Pam Benos)
- **Model UN** – Students attended conferences placing in multiple categories and hosted the annual GSMUN conference attended by over 550 students attending. (Faculty Sponsor - Max Smith; Parent Rep - Bonnie Bowling)
- **Robotics** – Students attended the FRC World Championships in St. Louis and other competition, hosted a robotics competition for 178 elementary and middle school students, and also mentored elementary students. (Faculty Sponsor - Harold Houghton; Parent Rep - Liz Aldridge)
- **Technology Students Association** – Students competed in the state competition. (Faculty Sponsor - Tom Boyle; Parent Rep - Open)

Contacts:

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