



Illinois Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages • Bilingual Education

\$1,000 Graduate & \$500 Undergraduate Scholarship

Illinois TESOL•BE demonstrates its commitment to the field of English as a Second Language and Bilingual Education each year by awarding two \$1,000 graduate and one \$500 undergraduate scholarship to deserving students.

Applicants must:

- be currently enrolled in a program in TESOL, bilingual education, or a related field at an accredited college or university or be practicing professionals or paraprofessionals who will enroll in relevant coursework.
- demonstrate financial need.
- be members in good standing of Illinois TESOL•BE (see box below).
- submit a completed application form, along with all required supporting materials.

CHECK ONE:

I am applying for: \$1,000 GRADUATE Scholarship
 \$500 UNDERGRADUATE Scholarship in Honor of Jane Curtis

PLEASE PRINT:

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

E-mail: _____ ITBE Membership Expiration: _____

School Name and Degree Program: _____

(Check one) Currently Enrolled Will Enroll in 2010-2011

Have you received this ITBE scholarship before? Yes No

SUPPORTING MATERIALS:

- 1) A letter of application (word-processed and double-spaced) which includes the following: a) a description of your involvement to date in the field of ESL/BE; b) an explanation of your professional goals and how your program of study will help you meet those goals; and c) a brief statement regarding your financial need.
- 2) Two letters of recommendation.
- 3) An official transcript of your academic work. (Unofficial transcripts will **not** be accepted.) A letter of acceptance is required if you are not currently enrolled in an academic program.

All applicants for the \$1,000 Graduate and the \$500 Undergraduate Scholarships must have valid memberships in Illinois TESOL•BE through March 2010. To become a member of ITBE or to renew membership, mail a completed membership application and your dues along with your scholarship application materials. You can also renew your membership online at www.itbe.org. Membership applications are available on our web site or in the *ITBE Newsletter*. Check your status by using your member log-in on the ITBE web site or by e-mailing us at membership@itbe.org.

MAIL COMPLETED APPLICATIONS, POSTMARKED BY DECEMBER 11, 2009, to:

**Leah D. Miller, Awards Committee Chair
4019 N. Clarendon, Apt. 3 S.
Chicago, IL 60613**

Scholarships will be awarded at the 36th Annual State Convention on February 26th, 2010, in Naperville, IL. Recipients will be notified by phone and by email. **Attendance is expected.** For additional information, please call (773) 935-9185 or visit our website at www.itbe.org.