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Criteria
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In addition, two of the following criteria must be met:
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- ACT composite score of 23 or higher
- Top quartile of your class

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Application Process
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- Submit official high school transcript
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- Submit a student essay
- Submit a student outline or resume
- Include two Alverno Scholars of Wisconsin recommendation forms – one should be completed by a teacher and one by someone who is familiar with your accomplishments in leadership or service to others.

Submit application form and all required information by March 13, 2012 to:

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3400 South 43rd Street
P.O. Box 343922
Milwaukee, WI 53234-3922

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Please submit an original essay, no longer than 750 words, which addresses each of the following points:
Your essay must be about one person you admire and his or her leadership skills. The essay should address the importance of leadership and knowledge to you and your goals.
Please discuss the leadership qualities of this person and those qualities you feel you share with this person.
Describe how you are going to use your college education to continue your growth as a leader.
Please use specific examples of your leadership experiences, both in and out of school.
Please use specific examples of any community work, volunteerism, club or activity participation, recognition and awards, etc.
Note to High School Athletes: The National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III bylaws require that no financial aid can be awarded to a student athlete based on athletic ability, participation or performance. Therefore, please do not include any reference to your participation in or involvement with athletics in any form.

Student Outline or Resume
Please highlight high school involvement, jobs held, volunteer experience, extracurricular activities and any leadership or service experiences.

Recommendation Forms
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