The Department of Physics at The Ohio State University
is pleased to announce the

2008 Valentino Physics Academic Achievement Scholarship

The Physics Department will be offering a scholarship equal to the full cost of in-state tuition for four years to incoming students who major in physics or engineering physics at The Ohio State University. This scholarship competition is open to any high-school senior applying to The Ohio State University who has expressed an interest in majoring in physics or in engineering physics.

Rules and Regulations:

1. Eligibility for this scholarship is limited to students enrolling in Ohio State in Autumn 2008, who will major in physics or in engineering physics. The competition is open to non-U.S. citizens and is not limited to residents of Ohio.

2. This competition is not affiliated with the application process to The Ohio State University. All application materials for this scholarship, including transcripts but not ACT/SAT scores, must be sent to the address below to insure full consideration for the 2008 Valentino Physics Academic Achievement scholarship.

3. The scholarship will pay up to the equivalent of full in-state tuition for up to a maximum of 12 quarters, as long as the student continues to make good progress toward a degree in physics or engineering physics. Good progress toward a degree is defined as a minimum GPA of 3.0 from the second year forward and enrollment in at least one physics class per year at The Ohio State University.

4. If the student withdraws from the physics or engineering physics major or fails to make adequate progress toward a physics degree, the scholarship will be terminated.

5. All applicants must take the SAT or the ACT. Successful applicants typically have high mathematics scores.

6. The scholarship recipient will be determined by a combination of high-school courses and grades, letters of recommendation, SAT or ACT scores, and a personal essay written by the applicant.

7. The amount of this award will be added after any other non-need-based financial aid is awarded, up to the maximum allowed by The Ohio State University. The award will not exceed the cost of in-state tuition. The award can be renewed up to a maximum of 12 quarters at The Ohio State University.

Send all application materials and arrange to have official transcripts sent to:

2008 Valentino Physics Academic Achievement Scholarship

C/o Ms. Robin Wyatt
Undergraduate Program Coordinator
Department of Physics
1040K PRB, 191 W Woodruff Ave
The Ohio State University
Columbus, OH 43210

For full consideration, these materials must be postmarked on or before March 3, 2008.

For further information or to obtain additional applications, please contact:
Professor Richard Hughes, (614) 292-3885, hughes@mps.ohio-state.edu

This document may be photocopied freely, and an application may be submitted on a photocopy.
2008 Valentino Physics Academic Achievement Scholarship Application


Name_______________________________________________________

Home Address:

Street_______________________________________________________

City________________________________________________________

State, Zip Code_______________________________________________

Telephone___________________________________________________

Email_______________________________________________________

SAT or ACT scores (if taken more than once, list highest score received in each category):

SAT:  Verbal_______________ Mathematics_____________

ACT:  English______________ Mathematics_____________

(If you have not already done so, please arrange for your test scores to be sent to the Admissions Office, Ohio State University. We will verify the information above with the official scores sent to the University)

Please include the following materials with your application:

1. A completed application form.

2. Two letters of recommendation from people who know you well. At least one of these letters must be from a high-school teacher, and the other should be from a teacher, or, in exceptional cases, someone else qualified to evaluate your mathematical and scientific abilities.

3. A personal essay of no more than 1000 words, discussing your interests and abilities in science and mathematics. Mention any competitions or awards won, as well as why you would like to major in physics or engineering physics. Include a discussion of any special projects, experiences, or anything else unusual in your background that you would like the scholarship committee to consider.

Please also arrange to have an official copy of your high-school transcripts sent to the address below. If you have sent transcripts to the Admissions Office at The Ohio State University, we still need you to send transcripts directly to the address below.

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