

# Taylor Scholars Awards Program

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Respond by **APRIL 9<sup>TH</sup>** and reward your best students with **FREE memberships to Louisiana attractions!**

Dear Diocese Leader:

It's time to recognize your outstanding students! Audubon Nature Institute and the New Orleans Museum of Art (NOMA), in partnership with the Patrick F. Taylor Foundation, are rewarding young people with **free annual memberships!** Endorsed by the Board of Elementary & Secondary Education, the Taylor Scholars Awards Program rewards qualified 7-12 grade students with a certificate of achievement and free memberships to three of our state's premier learning institutions.

Of the more than 143,000 students who earned free memberships in 2009, the 13th year of this statewide program, **less than 21,000 were parochial school students.** We know that many additional students were eligible to receive this tremendous reward, so we need your assistance to ensure that **every** qualified student is recognized in 2010.

Program qualifications include:

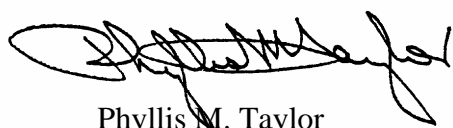
- Students earning a 2.5-2.9 GPA during the 2009-10 school year will receive a one-year membership to Audubon Aquarium of the Americas and the New Orleans Museum of Art.
- Students earning a 3.0 GPA or higher during the 2009-10 school year will, in addition to Aquarium and NOMA memberships, receive a one year membership to Audubon Zoo.

Letters are mailed to each parochial school principal and guidance counselor in your area explaining program details and deadlines. **Please assist by encouraging the principals of your schools to participate in this worthwhile program – to reward students with free admission to top attractions.**

**We need all information no later than APRIL 9<sup>th</sup>, 2010** to ensure students receive their awards by the end of the academic year. We suggest schools use the latest grading period (typically 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter grades) to meet the **APRIL 9<sup>th</sup>** deadline.

Please advise schools to send names sorted by GPA level (2.5-2.9 and 3.0+) to us via e-mail at **taylorawards@bellsouth.net** or on CD to the address above. Contact us at (504) 889-8882 or learn more at **www.taylorplan.com/scholarsawards**. We look forward to working with you to recognize your outstanding students!

Thank you in advance for your support.



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