## Edgewood High School Dollars for Scholars Scholarship Application Instructions

- 1. Print these instructions for use throughout the application process.
- 2. Applicants must complete a detailed profile and should allow sufficient time to complete (may require as much as two hours or more). Also, your references will need time to write your recommendations. Be sure to give them adequate time to complete this task. We recommend applying at least two weeks before the deadline to ensure that all materials are completed by the deadline.
- 3. Some awards may require answering additional questions, providing additional references, or other documentation.
- 4. The application process is an all electronic system that makes reference and parent requests for information by email. Applicants must have an email address to use the system.
- 5. All application and supporting materials must be submitted no later than April 20, 2012.
- 6. Household financial data is not required to apply for most DFS scholarships; however, some awards are based on financial need. Applicants who do not provide financial data will not be considered for any need-based awards.
- 7. Essay questions: all students should address the goals essay question. The special circumstances question is an optional essay question for students who have special circumstances that have affected or influenced life direction, motivation, or purpose. Such circumstances might include obstacles or challenges that a student has faced or other significant situations that caused the student to change the course of his or her life.
- 8. To begin the application process, go to the Students and Parents menu at <a href="https://www.edgewood.dollarsforscholars.org/">www.edgewood.dollarsforscholars.org/</a> and follow the prompts. Here is the application sequence:
  - 1) Enter your application profile data under 'My Information' and complete the goals essay and, optionally, the special circumstances essay.
  - 2) Ensure you click the links in 'My Information' to send requests for supporting materials such as financial information, transcript information, and recommendations.
  - 3) Search for scholarships for which you may qualify under My Scholarships and be sure to click 'Add Scholarship to My Application' for each scholarship for which you want to apply.
  - 4) Once a scholarship has been added, be sure to submit any additional required materials for each scholarship for which you wish to be considered, and then click 'Submit App.'
- 9. Please contact the guidance office at 876-2277, if you need assistance.