

WORLD SPACE WEEK ASSOCIATION (WSWA) YOUTH INSPIRATION PROGRAM (YIP)



GENERAL RULES AND CONDITIONS

- 1) The competition is open to every high-school student, ages 15 to 18 inclusive, excluding those directly related to representatives of WSWA, their immediate family members and any other agencies, companies and organizations associated with this Program. All nominated high-school students can be subject to verification by sponsor and any WSWA representative.
- 2) Normally, only one high-school student per country can be selected. In case if there is more than one sponsorship opportunity available for a particular country, there can be more than one candidate. However, more candidates can be selected only if they represent distinctly different diversities, communities and/or backgrounds, without any discrimination. E.g. different ethnicity, language, or cultural backgrounds etc.
- 3) If an organisation is willing to sponsor more than one person in a particular country, it needs to assure meaningful media coverage, on national or/and international level. Additionally, a media support plan needs to be submitted before 1st September 2011, directly to the YIP organizers.
- 4) National Coordinator is the first point of contact between the country he/she represents and WSWA. Every Coordinator is responsible for selection process of the students in the represented country, and also for the National Prizes. They are independent from WSWA.
- 5) Nominations of the candidates can be submitted only by the National Coordinators, as enlisted on the official WSWA website. In case if there is no National Coordinator in a country, candidates or other organizations can submit their applications directly to the YIP organizers. All nominations must be submitted by 31st July 2011. Late applications will not be accepted.
- 6) The number of students selected will depend upon the availability of global sponsorships.
- 7) The selection criteria by WSWA include, but are not limited to:
 - a) Compelling background (e.g. poor family or other disadvantage, interest in school, etc.),
 - b) Credibility of the selection process (fairness, scope, etc.),

- c) Country's ability to support the project, e.g. student and chaperone airfare to the U.S. and plan to inspire youth nationally before and after the weightless flight.
- 8) Depending upon sponsorship, there may be funds to help developing countries with airfare.
- 9) Every selected student must be accompanied by one adult parent or guardian but this person will not fly on the Zero-G with the student. WSWA will furnish hotel, meals and ground transportation only, for both the selected students and their chaperons. Other expenses are not covered by WSWA.
- 10) WSWA takes no responsibility for visas to the United States of America. The Association accepts no responsibility or liability with regard to the entire Program, including medical problems, accidents, immigration, insurance, and others.
- 11) WSWA reserves the right to change the place of the Zero-G flight to another city within the United States of America. This is a subject to prior notification to all sponsors and selected candidates by the WSWA representatives.
- 12) WSWA reserves the right to cancel the Program, giving appropriate notice to all involved.