



### **MEDA USA SCHOLARSHIPS ANNOUNCEMENT**

Find attached in pdf format the list of 64 winners of the 2007 MEDA USA competitive scholarship program for Moghamo students in Cameroonian schools. Grants vary from 60,000 FCFA at university level, 40,000 FCFA at high school to 10,000 - 30,000 FCFA at secondary school level. The budget is 2,000,000 FCFA in 2007.

This year, the Scholarship Secretariat in Yaoundé received 151 applications from all but two qualifying secondary grammar/technical and high schools in Batibo Sub Division. GTC Batibo and GSS Ashong missed the initial filing deadline of 15 November 2006. The deadline was extended by 5 weeks to allow for possible delays by the Cameroon postal service. By December 20, 2006, both schools had not submitted their application forms and were therefore disqualified from the 2007 scholarship competition. There were also applications from Moghamo students attending schools outside Batibo Sub Division, notably in Bamenda, Bambili, Buea, Douala and Yaoundé. Students at GSS Bessi (Awom) and GSS Guzang qualify to enter this competition in the **Fall for the 2008 competition**.

Applications were validated, scored and ranked in order of merit in compliance with guidelines for this program. The complete data is contained in an Excel spreadsheet which is available to the owners (MEDA USA members) on request (to: [scholarships@moghamo.org](mailto:scholarships@moghamo.org)). The winners are distributed as follows:

- (a) Lower cycle - 40 grants amounting to 880,000 FCFA
- (b) High school - 16 grants amounting to 640,000 FCFA
- (c) University level - 8 grants amounting to 480,000 FCFA

The Scholarship Committee expresses gratitude to the NEC under the presidency of Emmanuel Ndamukong for placing a high priority on this program as exemplified in the strong budgetary provision. We have a 400% increase in the number of grants this year. It should be noted that grants to University students have been marginally trimmed by 10,000 FCFA each, reflecting the recent ministerial directive to lower tuition fees by 20,000 FCFA in state universities. The savings have been used to fund additional awards to students in the lower cycle (Forms 1 to 5).

For information about this program, please visit  
<http://www.moghamo.org/Projects/Education/education.html>

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