Highlander Student Leadership Awards
Lisa A. Pierce: Rising Star Student Leader Award

Award Description:
This award is in honor of Lisa Ann Pierce (1968-2004) who worked in Higher Education for over 10 years. Lisa was committed to challenging students to pursue their dreams; therefore this award recognizes first year and sophomore students who exemplify the potential to develop into the next generation of student leaders at NJIT. These students show the potential of having a positive impact at NJIT. This student is either found attending organization events and meetings, serving in an organization, takes initiative to assist with events and programs, or dedicates oneself to student life.

Criteria:
- 2.5 Cumulative GPA Minimum
- Freshman or Sophomore standing
- Enrolled in coursework this academic year.

Restrictions
- Applicants may not reapply for this award if they previously won.

Award Application Instructions:
- Fill out this form completely (only typed applications will be accepted).
- Please send via email to StudentLeadership@njit.edu by Monday, March 21, 2016

Note: You should receive a confirmation email from a staff member within 72 business hours of your submission.

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Name of Person Submitting Letter of Recommendation (1-page)
Note: You are responsible to notify the person submitting your Letter of Recommendation of the due date. Letters should be 1-page max, and be sent to StudentLeadership@gmail.com. Applications will not be considered if all materials are not submitted.

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Questions: Please answer each of the following questions to the best of your ability. Remember your answers will be reviewed by committee members who may know little or nothing about you. Your answers should be thorough and clear. Please type your answers underneath each question. Do not exceed 2 pages total.

1. How do you define leadership?
2. Please share what you’ve done as an emerging leader to develop an awareness of self to develop into a stronger leader.
3. What are your strengths and weaknesses as an emerging leader? How can NJIT help you develop your weaknesses?
4. Describe any active roles taken, initiative shown, or achievements you have made to student life at NJIT.

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5. Describe how you will continue to illustrate your leadership skills in student life as you progress through your academic career.
6. In 300 words or less, please describe why you are the best candidate for this award.
7. Please attach a Letter of Recommendation endorsing you for this award (1-Page Max) or have the person send it via email to StudentLeadership@njit.edu

Agreement Statements:
Please initial below next to each statement confirming your understanding of these expectations.

___ I understand that by submitting this application, I must attend the Highlander Awards ceremony on Thursday, May 5, 2016 (Reading Day) at 3:30pm in the Campus Center Atrium.

___ I understand that if I can no longer attend the Highlander Awards, I will notify the planning committee at StudentLeadership@njit.edu

___ I understand that if I win the award, my photo will be taken and used for the NJIT website and Facebook page for the Campus Center.