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Ald. Milele A. Coggs
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Ald. Coggs Invites Students To Honor Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. In Writing

*Alderman Offering Two \$500 Scholarships in "I Am the Dream"
Scholarship Contest*

To honor and recognize Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s contributions in strengthening civil rights for all people, **Alderman Milele A. Coggs** is launching the first annual **I AM THE DREAM Scholarship Contest** on Monday, January 19, 2009 (*Dr. King's birthday anniversary and national holiday*). Students who take part are being asked to submit an essay explaining "*How I plan to keep the Dream of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Alive.*"

"Higher education has the promise of transforming lives, and this scholarship is one way for me to contribute to the betterment of the lives of worthy students while encouraging continued thought about the works of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and the ability of us all to help improve civil rights in this country," the alderwoman said.

Eligibility requirements are:

Entrants must be:

- High school seniors who carry no less than a 2.8 cumulative grade point average
- Milwaukee 6th Aldermanic District residents -- see map at:

www.city.milwaukee.gov/district6

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- Accepted to a two- or four-year college or university (*verification will be required*)
- Able to submit a completed application

Applications will be available on **Monday, January 19, 2009** at:

- **Martin Luther King Library**, 310 W. Locust St., Milwaukee, WI 53212
- **Northcott Neighborhood House**, 2460 N. 6th St., Milwaukee, WI 53212
- **High school guidance offices**
- **Wisconsin Black Historical Society Museum**, 2620 W. Center St., Milwaukee, WI 53206

Applications can also be found starting **January 19, 2009** on the web at:

www.city.milwaukee.gov/district6

Entries must include a 1000 words or less essay, and must be returned and postmarked by April 15, 2009. Additional contest rules, complete details and submission requirements are contained within the application.

For more information, please contact: Akuwa Dantzler at **(414) 286-8640**.

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