

Seattle Cosmetic Surgeon Announces the 2024 WISE Scholarship for Washington Women Pursuing STEM Education

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Seattle, Washington? Alexander Sobel, DO, FAACS, of Bellevue, is thrilled to announce that applications for the 2024 WISE (Women in STEM Excel) Scholarship opened Tuesday, October 1, 2024. Now in its seventh year, the scholarship continues to empower and support Washingtonian women pursuing degrees in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) fields.

The WISE Scholarship offers a \$3,500 cash award to one deserving female student each year to alleviate the financial burdens associated with higher education. The funds can be used for tuition and various educational expenses, including textbooks, supplies, technology, on-campus dining, housing, and transportation. Dr. Sobel has always been an advocate for women?s education and established this scholarship to help address the underrepresentation of women in STEM industries and ease some of the financial pressures.

?In a time when the cost of higher education continues to rise, it?s more important than ever to support

women who aspire to make significant contributions in STEM fields,? says triple board-certified cosmetic surgeon Dr. Alex Sobel. ?Financial obstacles should not stand in the way of talented women who have the potential to make groundbreaking contributions to STEM. We recognize these challenges and are committed to providing support where it?s needed most by offering this scholarship opportunity.?

The demand for skilled professionals in STEM fields is higher than ever, yet women remain underrepresented. Encouraging more women to enter these industries not only promotes gender equality but also brings diverse perspectives that drive innovation and problem-solving. By supporting women in STEM, society stands to benefit from a richer pool of talent and creativity.

Dr. Sobel notes, ?Women bring unique insights and approaches to STEM disciplines, and their increased participation is essential for the advancement of these fields. Our goal with the WISE Scholarship is to foster an environment where women feel supported and motivated to pursue and excel in STEM careers and to encourage more women to contribute to these critical areas.?

The WISE Scholarship is open to female residents of Washington State who are pursuing education in a STEM-related field at an institution of higher learning. Eligible STEM subjects include, but are not limited to, chemistry, computer and information technology science, engineering, healthcare and medical sciences, biological sciences, mathematical sciences, physics, astronomy, social sciences, and STEM education and learning research. Each applicant is required to submit one letter of recommendation with valid contact information, complete the application form, and provide original essay answers.

The application period opened Tuesday, October 1, 2024, and applications will be accepted until Friday, December 13, 2024. The Scholarship Selection Committee will review all submissions from Monday, December 16, 2024, to Friday, December 27, 2024, and select the winner based on merit and the successful completion of all application requirements. The scholarship recipient will be announced and notified on Monday, January 20, 2025.

Dr. Sobel is widely respected for his expertise in cosmetic surgery and dedication to patient care, and he is also committed to philanthropic efforts that support education and community development. ?Supporting the next generation of female leaders in STEM is one of the most rewarding aspects of my work,? says Dr. Sobel. ?I am continually inspired by the passion and determination of our applicants, and I eagerly anticipate seeing the remarkable achievements that will come from this year?s candidates.?

For more information about the WISE Scholarship, eligibility criteria, and additional approved STEM majors, and to access the application form, please visit the scholarship page on the Anderson Sobel Cosmetic

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