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## ATTENTION!

### ***The Fifth Round Raya Foundation (RF) Merit Scholarship Application is now OPEN.***

Thank you to all the students who applied for the 2011 EC RF Merit Scholarship. A total of 68 applications were received and 14 outstanding students were awarded.

The application for the 2012 EC RF Merit Scholarship is open from March 20, 2011 to April 30, 2011 EC. The Foundation encourages all eligible students to apply.

In this round, a total of 12 awards will be offered (Grade 9=3, Grade 10=3, Grade 11=3 and Grade 12=3 students). In each grade, at least one of the scholarship recipients will be an outstanding female student.

**Award Amount:** For students in grades 9 to 11, a total of 4,000 Eth. Birr will be given in one academic year (payable in two semesters). For grade 12 students, a onetime award of 4,000 Eth. Birr will be given.

### **Eligibility Criteria**

Applicants must:

1. Enroll in Kobo Preparatory and Secondary School
2. Fulfill the *merit* requirement set forth by Raya Foundation (that is, students with class standing of 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup>)
3. Meet certain financial need criteria mentioned in the application form

### **How to apply:**

This year's RF application process is online only. Eligible students can access the online application via the RF website (<http://rayafoundation.com/scholarship/apply/>). You will be prompted to the scholarship page once you click on the link above. Select the "Apply online" on the page and follow the directions on the screen. Please make sure to read program details and application instructions. Be sure to sign and submit once you finalized the application.

If you have any question about the application process, do not hesitate to contact us ([rayafoundation2014@gmail.com](mailto:rayafoundation2014@gmail.com)). We also encourage you to visit the school director's office for additional assistance.

**Deadline:** Application will be closed on 30 April 2011 EC. For news updates and more information please check the Foundation's website (<http://rayafoundation.com>) and Facebook page.

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**Web:** <http://rayafoundation.com/>



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**Recommendation Letter:** All applicants are advised to ask a recommendation letter from their homeroom teachers. Homeroom teachers can access the recommendation form through the RF website (<http://rayafoundation.com/scholarship/apply/>).