

The logo is a dark grey circle with a white stylized 'A' shape made of several lines radiating from the top. Below the 'A' is the text 'NCWIT Award for Aspirations in Computing' in white.

## NCWIT Award for Aspirations in Computing

The NCWIT Award for Aspirations in Computing (AiC) honors 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students for their computing-related achievements and interests, and encourages them to pursue their passions. The multi-tiered award structure includes Winner, Honorable Mention, Rising Star, and Certificate of Distinction designations at National and Regional Affiliate levels, serving all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, and all U.S. overseas military bases. Since 2007, nearly 14,000 students have received an Award for AiC.

### CRITERIA AND ELIGIBILITY

Any U.S. student in grades 9 through 12 who self-identifies as a woman, genderqueer, or non-binary is eligible to apply. Applicants who meet *all* of the eligibility requirements outlined at [www.aspirations.org/AiCHSAward](http://www.aspirations.org/AiCHSAward) will be considered for both the National and Regional Affiliate Award designations.

### PRIZES

All award designations receive automatic induction into the AiC Community (a national network of peers, supported by professionals and volunteers) and various prizes, such as computing resources, gadgets, and swag.

Each National and Regional Affiliate Award Winner receives:

- recognition at a Regional Affiliate Award event (at the discretion of the Regional Affiliate Award program)
- an engraved award for both the recipient and the recipient's school
- scholarship and internship opportunities

Each National Award Winner receives cash and a trip to the National Award for AiC Celebration in March 2020, hosted by Bank of America.

### APPLICATION DETAILS

Students can apply online at [www.aspirations.org/AiCHSAward](http://www.aspirations.org/AiCHSAward), beginning September 1, 2019 and submit completed applications no later than 8:00 p.m. MST on November 5, 2019.

### ABOUT NCWIT

NCWIT is a non-profit community that convenes, equips, and unites more than 1,100 change leader organizations to increase the influence and meaningful participation of girls and women from every community—at the intersections of race, ethnicity, class, age, sexual orientation, and disability status—in the influential field of computing, particularly in terms of innovation and development. Find out more at [www.ncwit.org](http://www.ncwit.org).

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