

Georgia Davis Powers Award

Georgia Davis Powers was the first African-American and woman elected to the Kentucky State Senate.

She was an influential member of the Civil Rights Movement, and a confidante of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Throughout her life, Senator Powers was committed to equal rights and fought for causes to prohibit discrimination in schools, workplaces, and housing on the basis of race, sex, and age. She supported legislation to improve education for the physically and mentally disabled.

Senator Powers always urged young people to become involved in the democratic process and to stand up for what they believe. As a role model and mentor, Senator Powers encouraged young people to make a difference in their communities and Kentucky.



The Award: In honor of Senator Powers' support of young people, the Secretary of State's office has created the Georgia Davis Powers Award. This award is given to high schools with outstanding student voter registration. Schools are awarded one of three award tiers:

- Gold Award: 100% of eligible students registered to vote
- Silver Award: 90% of eligible students registered to vote
- Bronze Award: 75% of eligible students registered to vote

Some exemptions may apply; for example, students who choose not to register for religious beliefs.

How to Participate: Students who will be 18 years of age by the upcoming general election are eligible to register to vote. A teacher sponsor is required for a school to apply. Sponsors are responsible for submitting their application and independently verifying the registration status of eligible students.

Applications may be completed online or via mail or email using the attached form. **The deadline to apply for the Georgia Davis Powers Award is March 29.**

Mail

Georgia Davis Powers Award
Kentucky Secretary of State
State Capitol, Suite 152
700 Capital Ave.
Frankfort, KY 40601

Email

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Subject: Georgia Davis Powers Award

Application for the Kentucky Office of Secretary of State's
Georgia Davis Powers Award

School Name: _____

City/County: _____

Sponsor Name: _____

Sponsor Phone: _____

Sponsor Email: _____

Student
Contacts
(if applicable): _____

Students Eligible/
Students Registered _____ / _____

Send completed applications to:

Mail

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I hereby certify that the information I have provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, and that I am willing to verify data with the award administrator if requested.

Sponsor Name

Date