# 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 100% 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 school must submit an application and attach the names of all of the school's eligible students. The application must be submitted by October 14, 2016, to:

Mail Georgia Davis Powers Award Kentucky Secretary of State Suite 152 700 Capital Ave. Frankfort, KY 40601 **Email** Matt.Daley@ky.gov Subject: Georgia Davis Powers Award

When a school reaches 100% registration of eligible students, a plaque signifying this achievement will be presented to the school principal at an assembly featuring Secretary Grimes or a representative of the Secretary of State's office.

### **Application for the Kentucky Office of Secretary of State's**

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| School Name:   | <br> |  |
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| City/County:   |      |  |
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| Contact Name:  | <br> |  |
| Contact Phone: | <br> |  |
| Contact Email: | <br> |  |
| Student        | <br> |  |
| Contacts:      |      |  |
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### A list of all eligible students must be attached to this application.

#### Send completed applications to:

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I hereby certify that the information I have provided is correct and the school listed above does meet the criteria for the Georgia Davis Powers Award:

**Applicant Contact** 

Date