The African American Hall of Fame Museum

2018 - 2019 ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

SPONSORS

The African American Hall of Fame Museum supports African American graduating seniors of Peoria Public Schools and Quest Academy who are pursuing higher education at an accredited college or university.

As community leaders we encourage and promote high academic achievement. Scholarships are awarded to support academic excellence and encourage community involvement among African American students. We believe that we can encourage our youth to seek higher education by providing financial assistance. Scholarship recipients will be notified by February 8, 2019. The scholarship recipients will be expected to attend the African American Hall of Fame Museum’s Red, Black and Green Ball. The Red, Black and Green Ball will be held at the Peoria Riverfront Museum in Peoria, Illinois on Saturday, February 23, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. The scholarship recipients must submit an electronic photo for the press release by February 11, 2019.

SCHOLARSHIP DESCRIPTION

The scholarships are one-year, non-renewable monetary awards to be applied toward expenses incurred to attend an accredited college or university. The awards will be disbursed to the recipient’s school of choice at the beginning of the Fall semester of the freshman year. Proof of full-time enrollment (minimum of 12 credit hours) must be provided.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Selection of scholarship recipients will be based upon the following criteria:

- African American resident of Peoria Public School District 150 and Quest academy.
- 2019 graduating high school senior
- Minimum high school cumulative grade point average of 3.2 on a 4.0 or 5.0 scale
- Leadership qualities as evidenced by activities, interests and affiliations within school and the community
- Acceptance at an accredited college or university for the 2019-2020 academic year
APPLICATION PROCESS

Complete and sign the enclosed application form and attach the following:

- Official high school transcript (through the seventh semester) including cumulative grade point average
- Copy of admission letter to an accredited college or university for the 2018-2019 academic year
- Two letters of reference (including name, address, and telephone number) - one from a teacher or counselor, and one from an adult (other than a relative or personal friend), who can attest to your character
- Complete an essay on “How Does Knowing History Help Shape Your Future?”
  - Minimum 500 words
  - Double spaced
  - 12 font

- Incomplete applications and/or applications postmarked after January 11, 2019, will not be considered.

SUCCESSFUL APPLICANT EXPECTATION

Applicants who are chosen to receive a scholarship must agree to the following:

For the AAHFM to send your scholarship award to your university of choice, you must provide and agree to the following.

1. Submit a letter of acceptance from the school you will be attending by July 12, 2019
2. Submit a copy of your 2020 Fall class schedule
3. Provide your university identification number (may be included on the class schedule)
4. Submit the Student Accounts address or the address in which funds should be mailed.
5. Provide your email address and cell phone number
6. It is important that we document and share with our scholarship donors how you are progressing in school. Submit an update to include the following by January 15, 2020:
   - Grade Point Average
   - Agree to a follow up phone call/email about your first year in school.

Completed application and attachments must be postmarked by January 11, 2019 and mailed to:
Ronda Y. Guyon, Scholarship Co-Chairperson
African American Hall of Fame Museum
309 S. DuSable Street
Peoria, Il 61602

Applications may be scanned and emailed by January 11, 2019 to: Guyton619@gmail.com
2019-2020 ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name ____________________________

(Last) (First) (Middle)

Permanent Address ____________________________

City ____________________________ State ________ Zip ________

Telephone ____________________________ Birthdate ____________________________

Email address ____________________________

Female □ Male □ Race/Ethnicity: ____________________________

High School ____________________________ GPA _____ Class Rank _____ ACT _____

Parent(s) or Legal Guardian(s) ____________________________

Address (if different than applicant’s) ____________________________

City ____________________________ State ________ Zip ________ Phone ________

Father’s Occupation and Employer ____________________________

Mother’s Occupation and Employer ____________________________

College/University Acceptance:

School ____________________________ City/State ____________________________

Intended Major ____________________________

List your current involvement in extracurricular activities, academic clubs and any offices held, civic and service organizations, sports, etc. (Attach additional sheet if needed).
List your past involvement in extracurricular activities, academic clubs and any offices held, civic and service organizations, sports, etc. (Attach additional sheet if needed).

List any awards, honors or special recognition you have received.

To the best of my knowledge, the information provided in completion of this application is accurate and complete as of the date indicated below.

Applicant’s Signature _____________________________ Date __________

Parent’s/Guardian’s Signature _____________________________ Date __________

Mail to:  
Ronda Y. Guyton, Scholarship Co-Chairperson  
African American Hall of Fame Museum,  
309 S. DuSable Street  
Peoria, IL 61602  

Scan and email to: guyton619@gmail.com

POST MARK / EMAIL DEADLINE: January 11, 2019
Scholarship Application Checklist ✗

To ensure that your application is given full consideration, please complete and enclose this checklist with your application:

☐ Official high school transcript (through the seventh semester) including cumulative grade point average

☐ Copy of admission letter to an accredited college or university for the 2019-2020 academic year

☐ Letter of reference (including name, address, and telephone number) from a teacher or counselor

☐ Letter of reference (including name, address, and telephone number) from an adult (other than a relative or personal friend) who can attest to your character

☐ Completed essay on “How Does Knowing History Help Shape Your Future?” (minimum 500 words, double spaced and 12 font)

☐ Applicant signature and date are included on the application form

☐ Parent/Guardian signature and date are included on the application form

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