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TO: Leon and Gadsden County Schools
Principals, School and Church Coordinators
FROM: Dr. Malinda Jackson James, Director COE
DATE: October 11, 2017
RE: National Achievers Society 2017 Fall Induction

Applications are now being accepted for the Fall Induction of the Tallahassee Area Coalition Center of Excellence (COE) National Achievers Society (NAS). Enclosed are several copies of the criteria and application. Criteria for induction are as follows:

“Students must have a minimum of two A’s and the rest B’s” for the entire 2016-2017 School Year and the 1st 9-weeks of the 2017-18 School Year.”

NO EXCEPTIONS

Submission of a Laws of Life Essay (See attachment)/ \$100 Induction Fee
(Check/Money Order made Payable to Leon County Schools)

The Fall Induction will be held on Friday, December 1, 2017 at 6:30 pm, New Life United Methodist Church; located at 2821 South Monroe Street. **The application deadline is Monday, November 13, 2017.** Completed application/fees must be mailed to: Dr. Malinda Jackson James at 8688 Alexandrite Court, Tallahassee, FL 32309, by the deadline date. Thank you for your assistance in getting this information out to eligible students.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (850) 878-8770 or taccoe_nas2016@yahoo.com.

Attachments

cc. Rocky Hanna, Superintendent, Leon County Schools
Michelle Gayle, Ph.D.
Sue Kraul
Alan Cox. Ph.D.

National Achievers Society Laws of Life Essay



The *Laws of Life* are core values and ideals by which we live. Honesty, perseverance, and the Golden Rule all are examples of these universal "laws" that transcend religions, cultures, and national borders.

To be eligible for induction into the National Achievers Society (NAS), a potential inductee must complete and submit a 250-word (maximum) *Laws of Life Essay*. The *Laws of Life Essay* requirement offers a potential NAS member the opportunity to think about and communicate the principles that guide his or her life.

As you write your *Essay*, please select the quotation below that expresses a key value and/or ideal by which you live. Then explain why the chosen value/ideal is important to the way you live your life by discussing your experiences, lessons learned, and people who have served as living examples of your chosen value/ideal.

In a world filled with hate, we must still dare to hope. In a world filled with anger, we must still dare to comfort. In a world filled with despair, we must still dare to dream. And in a world filled with distrust, we must still dare to believe. --Michael Jackson

The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy. --Martin Luther King

Education is the most powerful weapon you can use to change the world. --Nelson Mandela

You can't let your failures define you. You have to let your failures teach you. --President of the United States of America Barack Obama

Education is our passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to the people who prepare for it today. --Malcolm X

Education must not only simply teach--it must teach life. --W. E. B. Dubois

Nothing ever comes to one that is worth having, except as a result of hard work. --Booker T. Washington

There are still many causes worth sacrificing for, so much history yet to be made. -- First Lady Michelle Obama

Please note that the Laws of Life Essay you submit will be forwarded to the Florida Education Fund (FEF), the entity that sponsors Florida's Laws of Life Essay Contest, for consideration for possible prizes as a part of that Contest. If you do not want your Essay considered in the Contest, please sign this form below.

I do not want my Essay considered for prizes as part of the FEF's Laws of Life Essay Contest:

Signature: _____