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TO: Leon and Gadsden County Schools
Principals, School and Church Coordinators
FROM: Dr. Malinda Jackson James, Director COE
DATE: April 8, 2019
RE: National Achievers Society 2019 Spring 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 in grades 3rd – 11th must have a minimum of two A’s and the rest B’s” for the entire 2018-2019 School Year.”

NO EXCEPTIONS

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

The Spring Induction will be held on Thursday, May 23, 2019 at 6:30 pm; location Luxe Events – 2810 Sharer Road, Suite 28, Tallahassee, Florida. **The application deadline is Tuesday, May 7, 2019.** Completed application/fees must be mailed to: Ms. Sha'Rhonda Brown at 2757 West Pensacola Street, Tallahassee, FL 32304, 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) 544-0745 or jamesm@leonschools.net .

Attachments

cc. Rocky Hanna, Superintendent, Leon County Schools
Dr. Michele Gayle, Assistant Superintendent
Sue Kraul, Assistant Superintendent
Dr. Alan Cox, Assistant Superintendent



CENTER OF EXCELLENCE

Application of Participation



- National Achievers Society
 Academic Enrichment Center
 Brain Bowl Competition
 Believers Society
 Summer Enrichment Program

Date

Student Information

Social Security Number (Last 4 digits) School ID Number

Last Name First Name MI

Date of Birth Place of Birth

Street Address

City State Zip

Telephone Emergency Contact

School Current Grade Cum. GPA

Class Enrollment: Regular Gifted Honors AP Dual Enrollment Special Education

Graduation Year Special Honors:

Plans to attend College Yes No If yes, name College

Ethnicity: African American White Hispanic Asian/P.I. Other Gender: Female Male

This information is helpful, but optional.

Family Information (Confidential information used for demographic purposes only.)

Live with: Mother Father Both Relative (Specify: _____) Other (Specify: _____)

Parent/Guardian Name:

Father's Home Phone: Work Phone:

Mother's Home Phone: Work Phone:

Father's Education: High School Graduate Vocational training College Degree Highest grade completed: _____

Mother's Education: High School Graduate Vocational training College Degree Highest grade completed: _____

Annual Household Income (check one): \$0-\$14,999
 \$15,000-\$24,999
 \$25,000-\$39,999
 \$40,000-\$49,999
 \$50,000-above

Public Assistance Yes No AFDC Yes No Total Number in Household _____

Free/Reduced Lunch: Yes No

Student Scholarship Information

Have you applied for: Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Yes No National Achievers Scholars Award Yes No

Scholarships Received:

PARENTAL CONSENT/RELEASE FORM

The Center of Excellence Program is a partnership with you, your child, and his/her church/community center and is designed to provide participants with educational assistance that may include tutoring, mentoring, skills building, and other training. Students also participate in community service projects, workshops, and field trips that are pertinent to their educational development. By signing below, you acknowledge the goals of the Program and grant permission for your child to participate and your child agrees to participate.

I hereby grant the Staff of the Center of Excellence Program permission to have access to my child's educational records and demographic information and to forward same to the Florida Education Fund, Inc., its parent organization.

Parent/Guardian Signature: Date:

Student Signature: Date:

Parent's Email Address: _____

T-shirt Size (Adult Sizes Only) S M L XL 2XL

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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: _____