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**TO:** Leon, Gadsden and Jefferson County Schools  
Principals, School and Church Coordinators

**FROM:** Dr. Malinda W. James, Director COE

**DATE:** April 4, 2017

**RE:** National Achievers Society 2017 Spring Induction

Applications are now being accepted for the Spring Induction of the Tallahassee Area Coalition Center of Excellence (TACCOE) National Achievers Society (NAS). Criteria for induction are as follows:

- Students must have a minimum of two A's and the rest B's for the 2016-2017 School Year to date. (copy of report card must accompany Application Packet)

**NO EXCEPTIONS**

- Submission of a Laws of Life Essay (See attachment) with the Application.
- Submission \$100 Induction Fee – Make check payable to Leon County Schools

**Please mail completed Application form , Laws of Life Essay, Report Card & check to:**  
TACCOE

C/O Dr. Malinda Jackson James  
8688 Alexandrite Court  
Tallahassee, FL 32309

This year's Spring Induction will be held on Friday, June 2, 2017 at the Bethel Missionary Baptist Church – Lower Level; 224 N. Martin Luther King Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida. **The application deadline is Monday, May 15, 2017.** 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 [tacoe\\_nas2016@yahoo.com](mailto:tacoe_nas2016@yahoo.com).

**Attachments**

cc. Rocky Hanna, Superintendent, Leon County Schools  
Marvin Henderson, Ph.D.  
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# 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      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:

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Student Name				SSN:		Active <input type="checkbox"/>	Inactive <input type="checkbox"/>
School and Testing Information							
County Number				School Number			
Demographics: Urban/Inner City <input type="checkbox"/> Rural/Outside City Limits <input type="checkbox"/>							
FCAT Math Test Score		FCAT Reading Test Score		FCAT Writing Test Score		FCAT Science Test Score	
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade		4 <sup>th</sup> Grade		4 <sup>th</sup> Grade		4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade		8 <sup>th</sup> Grade		8 <sup>th</sup> Grade		8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	
10 <sup>th</sup> Grade		10 <sup>th</sup> Grade		10 <sup>th</sup> Grade		10 <sup>th</sup> Grade	
PSAT	SAT	1 <sup>st</sup> Score	Date	ACT	1 <sup>st</sup> Score	Date	
		2 <sup>nd</sup> Score	Date		2 <sup>nd</sup> Score	Date	
Additional Test(s) and Scores:							
Student Scholarship Information							
Bright Futures Recipient Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Talented 20 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Brain Bowl Scholarship Awarded Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>			
College Attended							
Military Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If yes, which Branch				Trade School Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>			
National Achievers Society		Achiever <input type="checkbox"/>		Believer <input type="checkbox"/>		Induction Date _____	
NAS Induction Grade Level		Induction GPA		School		Leadership Training Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Believer Induction Grade Level		Induction GPA		School			
Academic Enrichment Center (AEC) Program							
AEC Participant Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Student will be tutored or assisted in the following subject (s):							
Subject(s)		Current Grade		Mid-Year Grade		Final Grade	
Brain Bowl Competition:		History and Culture <input type="checkbox"/>		Mathematics <input type="checkbox"/>			
History and Culture Pre-test Score				Post-test Score			
Mathematics Pre-test Score				Post-test Score			
Parent Association		Member Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Name:			
Parental Involvement		Active <input type="checkbox"/> Inactive <input type="checkbox"/>		Community Service Projects		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Attend State NAS Summit		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Fundraising		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Volunteer Brain Bowl		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Parent Association Officer		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Volunteer NAS Inductions		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Chaperone		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Volunteer AEC		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Other _____			
Summer Enrichment Program							

## 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

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*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: \_\_\_\_\_