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 taccoe_nas2016@yahoo.com.

Attachments
cc. Rocky Hanna, Superintendent, Leon County Schools
Marvin Henderson, Ph.D.
Randy Pridgeon Ph.D.
Alan Cox, Ph.D.
CENTER OF EXCELLENCE
Application of Participation

Date

Student Information
Social Security Number
Last Name
First Name
Middle Initial
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:
Mother's Home 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: ____________________________
### FOR CENTER USE ONLY

#### Student Name
SSN:
Active □ Inactive □

#### School and Testing Information

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Additional Test(s) and Scores:

#### Student Scholarship Information

Bright Futures Recipient: Yes □ No □
Talented 20: Yes □ No □
Brain Bowl Scholarship Awarded: Yes □ No □

College Attended

Military: Yes □ No □
If yes, which Branch

Trade School: Yes □ No □

#### National Achievers Society

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#### Academic Enrichment Center (AEC) Program

AEC Participant: Yes □ No □
Student will be tutored or assisted in the following subject(s):

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#### Other

| Fundraising |
| Parent Association Officer |
| Chaperone |

#### 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

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: ________________________________