The Mission of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is to ensure the political, educational, social, and economic equality of rights of all persons and to eliminate racial hatred and racial discrimination.

September 30, 2016

To: Graduating Seniors

From: Topeka Branch NAACP Education Committee

Re: McKinley Langford Burnett College Scholarship

The Topeka Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) is sponsoring an essay scholarship opportunity for 2017 graduating seniors. Our organization is encouraging our young people to strive for academic excellence in their writing skills through essays. Contest winners will be awarded a financial scholarship. The theme of the essay is Achieving My Personal Goals through Education.

The objectives for the essays are stated below.

- To demonstrate effective written communication skills;
- To provide an opportunity for students to express how they have participated in community service, shown leadership qualities, possess good work relationships, and academic achievement;
- To explain the value of participating in extra curricular activities; and
- To promote academic excellence through financial incentive.

Please read the information and requirements included in the packet necessary for entry. Please follow the directions as outlined.

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