

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People - Topeka, KS Unit

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ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- ◆ Applicant must be a full – time student.
- ◆ Applicant must be a graduating senior.
- ◆ Applicant must possess a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 (C+) on a 4.0 system.
- ◆ An official copy of transcript.
- ◆ A wallet size picture.
- ◆ Applications not accepted after deadline.

GUIDELINES FOR ESSAY

- ◆ Three letters of recommendation. Two must be from non-family members and one can be from a relative.
- ◆ Include the objectives in your writing.
- ◆ Essay should be typed (double space) in 500 words or more and submitted by Saturday, October 29, to Ms. Betty Young, Education Chair, Topeka Unit NAACP, P. O. Box 1451, Topeka, KS 66601 and must be postmarked no later than Saturday, October 29, 2016.
- ◆ Provide a **TITLE PAGE** that includes the following.

Name

School

Address, City, State, Zip code

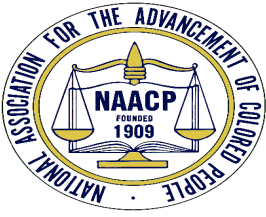
Home telephone number

Cell number

E-mail address

Title of Essay

- ◆ **Name should only appear on the TITLE PAGE.**
- ◆ Interview component of the selection process will be held Saturday, November 5, at beginning at 9 a.m. at the Burnett Center, 624 SW 24th Street
- ◆ Attach the title page and your essay to the enclosed entry form.



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SELECTION PROCESS:

The essays will be screened to assure that they meet the criteria. Each essay is then given a number and the cover sheet with the writer's name removed. Two members from the NAACP Executive Committee and the Education Committee will judge the essays. The judges will not know the names of the writers as they read, evaluate, and determine the five best essays in the group. The five chosen individuals will be contacted to come for the interview.

NOTIFICATION OF WINNER:

- ◆ The winner will be notified by letter or student email the week of November 7.

RECIPIENTS WILL BE:

- ◆ Award **three** \$1,000.00 scholarships.
- ◆ Invited, along with parents, to the **Freedom Fund Luncheon** on Saturday, November 12, 2016, at the Ramada Convention Center at 11:30am.