



2018 – 2019 International Achievement Week Project

Theme: “Omega Men: Effecting Positive Change in Communities Worldwide”

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.

Announcement of the Annual

African American Male College Scholarship Contest

As a phase of the Annual International Achievement Week Observance

November 11 - 17, 2018

Local Award: \$1,000 College Scholarship

Eligibility: The Contest is open to all college-bound, African American high school seniors (Utah residents only)

Contest Closes October 19, 2018

RULES

The essay must be entitled:

“If you had the authority to change your school in a positive way, describe the specific changes you would make?”

The essay must be **original** neither previously published nor secured by copyright.

The essay must be between 700 and 750 words in length.

One type-written, 12 pt. Times New Roman font, double-spaced copy must be submitted via email in .doc or .pdf format.

The following information for the contestant **must appear** on the **first page** in this manner:

Title: _____

An Essay By: _____ Home Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____ Name of High School/University: _____

Address of High School: _____

Contest Name: Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.’s African American Male College Scholarship Contest

Name of Chapter Sponsoring Project: Iota Iota Iota Chapter Location of Chapter: Salt Lake City, UT

The manuscript must be date-time stamped on the email no later than midnight, October 19, 2018, and **emailed to SaltLakeCityQues@gmail.com.**

Persons submitting manuscripts thereby grant to the **Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.** the right to keep the manuscripts and to exercise full publishing rights to them. **Local Award** will be announced by November 3, 2018, **decision of the judges will be final.** The manuscripts must present an adequate treatment of the essay topic. Winner will be required to furnish written proof that he was enrolled in his respective high school or college/university at the time the essay was submitted. Award will be submitted to the winner, **upon written verification from an institution of higher education that the individual has enrolled and after the last date to withdraw from classes. Actual enrollment (not just acceptance) is required.** Award must be claimed within 12 months after the announcement date to be valid. **Winner is expected to attend the local Achievement Awards ceremony and recite, from memory, his essay.** Additional rules apply, go to www.Ques-TriIota.org for details.

RATING CRITERIA FOR ESSAYS

- 1. Development of Topic/Thesis:** (30 possible pts.) Topic well developed (covers and develops major points, supplying enough information for understanding)
- 2. Progression:** (20 possible pts.) Composition progresses from beginning to end in a logical flow of information
- 3. Readability:** (25 possible pts.) Concise prose that sticks to the point and does not ramble (holds reader’s attention)
- 4. Grammar:** (15 possible pts.) Agreement of subject and verb; proper tense; correct sentence construction; paragraphing, including transitional phrases linking same
- 5. Spelling:** (5 possible pts.)
- 6. Punctuation:** (5 possible pts.)