

Hope Scholarship Essay Outline

Use these questions to get you started:

- Think about your future plans/goals.
- What do you want to do when you graduate high school?
- Do you want to go to college? Where? Why?
- What do you want to do when you finish college?

Sample Outline

Introduction Paragraph (4-5 sentences)

- Personal story or reasons why you want to go to a certain college or have a certain job
- State 3 goals (example sentences: I plan to take dual enrollment classes in high school and work at a doctor's office. I want to go to UAB and major in Biology. I want to become a doctor.

3 Body Paragraphs (6-8 sentences EACH, each body paragraph should be about a goal listed in the introduction paragraph)

- Include specific details and reasons why*
- First sentence of each paragraph should have a transition word to connect it to the last paragraph
 - For example 1st body paragraph: First, I plan to take dual enrollment classes in high school. 2nd body paragraph example: Next, I want to attend UAB and major in Biology. 3rd body paragraph example: Finally, I want to become a doctor.

Conclusion Paragraph (4-5 sentences)

- Restate your overall goal
- Leave the reader with an impression
 - Talk about how winning this scholarship will help you achieve your goals

*Make sure you explain why these goals are important to you

**If you have any questions or comments, please email me at sshipes@henrycountyboe.org, cmoore@henrycountyboe.org, ctew@henrycountyboe.org