"N2BOOKS"

Nakeitra & NaToya Hill Book Scholarship P.O Box 272 Ridgeland, MS 39158-0272

At a very early age, Nakeitra and NaToya Hill realized the importance of giving back to the community. Sisters, both Mississippi State University Alumni are extremely familiar with the rising cost of textbooks. Most financial assistance does not cover the cost of textbooks, for this reason, Nakeitra and NaToya Hill have embarked on the journey of providing financial assistance for textbooks to a deserving Corinth High School senior.

To be considered for the scholarship, applications must be received no later than **Monday, April 11, 2016**. Applications must be typed and presentable. No late or incomplete applications will be accepted. One (1) student will receive a \$1000 scholarship (\$500 for the Fall and \$500 for the Spring) to be used at their college institution's book store. A complete application must contain the following:

- 1. A completed application (Student Profile & Awards and Honors).
- 2. Two (2) letters of recommendation
 - a. One from a previous or current teacher.
 - b. One from a community organization of which the student has volunteered with.
- 3. Statement from school counselor stating the student's academic standing (Letter grade average and grade point average).
- 4. Two (2) 300-500 word essays addressing the following:
 - a. Why do you feel you are deserving candidate for this scholarship? What are your college and career plans?
 - b. How do you plan to give back to the community after you have graduated from college?

All components of the application MUST be uploaded into one pdf document and emailed to <u>n2_books@yahoo.com</u>. All applications MUST be received no later than *Monday, April 11, 2016*.

For questions regarding the scholarship packet or to request an electronic copy of the application please contact Nakeitra Burse at 662.808.4455 or NaToya Sanders at 662.808.4509 or email us at n2_books@yahoo.com.

Sincerely,

Nakeitra Burse & NaToya Sanders

Eligibility:

In order to be eligible for the "N2BOOKS" Scholarship one must meet the following criteria:

- Must be a senior at Corinth High School.
- Must be in good academic standing (at least a 2.5 GPA).
 - Student must obtain a statement from the counselor stating their grade point average.
- Must be a minority student.
- Must exhibit leadership characteristics:
 - School and community organizations.
- Must be actively involved in giving back to the community.

Letters of Recommendation:

Letters of recommendation must be obtained from individuals who are familiar with the student's academic and community performance. Letters must:

- Be on an official school/organization letterhead.
- Contain the reference's name and contact information.
- Be sealed.
- Address the following:
 - How long you they have known the applicant.
 - \circ $\;$ In what capacity they have known the applicant.
 - \circ Why they feel they student is deserving of the scholarship.

Essays:

In order to be complete, each essay must:

- Be typed and double spaced.
- Be grammatically correct and logically organized.
- Be on two (2) separate pages.
- Be between 300-500 words.
- Address all components of the stated questions.

Additional Info:

- Upon rewarding of the scholarship, the recipient will have a period of two (2) weeks to provide the scholarship committee with an official letter of acceptance from their college or university.
- To expedite the payment process, scholarship money can be sent through Paypal.
- One (1) \$500 check will be made out to the recipient on August 8, 2016.
- Upon completion of the first semester, the recipient must send in their grades. Student must maintain <u>at least</u> a 2.5 grade point average to receive scholarship funds. Upon receipt of first semester grades, one \$500 check will be sent to the recipient by January 9, 2017.
- Scholarship money may be used for books and schools supplies (books first).