



## **Masonic Lodge, South Griffin Lodge #697**

### **Order of Eastern Star, Rising Star #847**

### **Joint Scholarship Guidelines**

1. The student will complete an application that must be turned in to the office by April 15<sup>th</sup> 2020, all applications must be sent in by any of the 3 methods 1. Mailed in to P.O. Box 5692 Columbus Ga, 31906, emailed to [southgriffinlodge697@gmail.com](mailto:southgriffinlodge697@gmail.com) or return to your counselor.
2. The student must write an essay, detailing the importance of going to college, and the benefits it would bring to their lives. The essay must be 300 words or more, double space, times new roman, and they must have a cover page with (student's name, date, schools name) the essay must be turned in with the application and the attachments.
3. The applicant's GPA score must be 2.7 or higher, please include an unofficial transcript with the application.
4. The graduate must have their college acceptance letter attached to the application and or it must be verified before the check is awarded.
5. The graduate must have two references from a past or current high school teacher and one personal references of their choosing from someone that is 18 or older.
6. There will be 4 Senior Scholarships awarded in the amount of \$500; Central High, Russell County High and Smiths Station High schools.
7. We will choose 4 students that meet the rubric requirements, with the highest score to place in the winning category. Members of the chapter and lodge will vote on: Best completed application, best essay, highest number of community service hours plus honors and awards, and most influential reference letters. A grading rubric will be used to obtain the score.
8. Presentations of scholarships will be awarded to each percipients on: Time and date TBA later to your school after the deadline date.

If you have any issues or concerns, please contact: Sister Leatha Cyprian 706-617-0562 or Brother Toby Dixon 706-358-7787



## Grading Rubric Standards

Each Applicant, will be graded to the standards of the format below; they will receive the total points according to the Application Requirements and or they will be deducted points according to this Rubric, if they do not meet the requirements of the application perceptively.

### Application Requirements worth 50 points:

**Application =10 points** application completely filled out, -3 if any of the top section is missing, -2 if community service not listed (disregard if attached), -2 if Honors not listed (disregard if attached), -2 if majors are not listed, (-1) no signature.

**Community service Hours =10 points** for 180 or more, (8) for 160 or more, (6) for 140 or more, (4) for 120 or more, (2) for 100 or more (1) 50 or more. *Alternative: if they have no hours listed but, they have the events attended and or served in or on a club, event or committee any time during 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade* (10) for 8 or more events, (8) for 6 or more events, (6) for 4 or more events, (2) for 2 or more events.

**Essay Format =2 points**, not double spaced (-1), not in times New Romans (-1)

**Cover Page = 3 points** (1. Student's Name 2. Date 3. School) (-3) no cover page (-2) cover page attached to the body, (-1) any of the above (1-3) is missing.

**Grammar/Punctuation = 3 points** Paragraphs demonstrates rules of grammar, including • Spelling • Punctuation • Sentence structure (-3) for any errors found.

**Research/Content = 5 points**, Paragraphs demonstrates quality but, creative and/or critical thought detailing the importance of going to college (-1) 250 words or less, (-.5) 275 words or less, (-2) Content is based on other reasoning, no college is mentioned (-1.5) Content does display college importance, but not in its totality.

**GPA = 3 points** (-3) is not 2.7 or higher Bonus (+1) if its 3.7 or higher

**Reference Letters = 4 points** (-2) if the letter does not give a good representation of the student, (-1) if the reference was less than half a page, (-1) if the student only listed the references

**Letter of Intent to the College=10**



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**Joint Scholarship Application, Award for High School Seniors**

Students Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

List your volunteer community service hours, leadership, school and or church activities:

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List Honors and Awards received:

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Please list the college major (s) that you have selected:

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Attach copies of: GPA score, Acceptance letter to the college, references, and unofficial transcript.

Application deadline April 15<sup>th</sup> 2020

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_