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## Mid-Hudson Valley Council of the National Pan Hellenic Council, Inc. Scholarship

### Theme:

### *RULES & CRITERIA*

#### **Eligibility**

- Must be an African American male or female
- Must be a graduating high school senior
- Must attend Newburgh Free Academy (Orange County) or Poughkeepsie High School (Dutchess County)
- Must be seeking higher education at an accredited two-year or four-year United States college or university
- Must show a C+ or better GPA

#### **Application Overview**

- Completed application form
- Recent photograph
- School transcript and/or letter from Guidance Counselor verifying GPA and graduation date
- Brief description of who the candidate is and of their aims, hopes, and goals
- Essay
- One letter of recommendation from a school principal, teacher, advisor, employer, coach, etc. on official letterhead

#### **Application Submissions**

You may submit your application:

- via mail: (see mailing address above)
- email: [RMScott1922@Hotmail.com](mailto:RMScott1922@Hotmail.com) or [mhvnpnc@gmail.com](mailto:mhvnpnc@gmail.com)

#### **Award notification and receipt**

1. The recipient will receive:
  - **Initial Notification** directly from the MHV National Pan-Hellenic Council
  - **Public Acknowledgement** of their received scholarship at their High School's Award Ceremony.
2. For receipt of the scholarship monies, the recipient must provide:
  - Documented proof of enrollment in an accredited 2 or 4 year institution (bill, schedule, etc.)

3. **All scholarship monies will be mailed DIRECTLY TO THE RECIPIENT'S HOME ADDRESS LISTED ON THE APPLICATION**

**Purpose**

The Mid-Hudson Valley Council of the NPHC Scholarship(s) is awarded to exceptionally worthy, articulate, secondary school senior(s) for their undergraduate college education.

**Provider Organization**

Mid - Hudson Valley Council of the National Pan Hellenic Council, Inc.

**Background**

The Nation Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) is a collaborative organization of nine historically African American, international Greek lettered fraternities and sororities. The nine NPHC organizations are sometimes collectively referred to as the "Divine Nine". The member/partner organizations have not formally adopted nor recommended the use of this term to describe their collaborative grouping. The NPHC was formed as a permanent organization on May 10, 1930 on the campus of Howard University, in Washington, D.C. with Matthew W. Bullock as the active Chairman and B. Beatrix Scott as Vice-Chairman. NPHC was incorporated under the laws of the State of Illinois in 1937.

The council promotes interaction through forums, meetings and other mediums for the exchange of information and engages in cooperative programming and initiatives through various activities and functions.

Each constituent member organization determines its own strategic direction and program agenda. Today, the primary purpose and focus of member organizations remains camaraderie and academic excellence for its members and service to the communities they serve. Each promotes community awareness and action through educational, economic, and cultural service activities.

The National Pan-Hellenic Council was established in an age when racial segregation and disenfranchisement plagued African Americans, the rise of each of the black fraternities and sororities that make up the NPHC **bore witness to the fact that despite hardships African Americans refused to accede to a status of inferiority.**

**Questions:**

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact **Rendesia Scott** (MHV-NPHC, Education Committee Chair) at **[RMScott1922@hotmail.com](mailto:RMScott1922@hotmail.com)**.



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*APPLICATION (Please type or write clearly.)*

**Theme: The Importance of Education**

I understand the Mid-Hudson Valley Council of the NPHC has a Scholarship Fund. Income from this Fund is made available in the form of monies to a 2-year or 4-year college/university for the direct benefit of a specified individual student selected by the Scholarship Committee of the Mid-Hudson Valley Council of the NPHC.

*Please note: All monies will be received upon the receipt of the scholarship recipient's college schedule/invoice.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ High School: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Guidance Counselor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ College/University in the Fall: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Major Area of Academic Interest: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

1. I learned about the Mid-Hudson Valley Council of the National Pan Hellenic Council Scholarship from:  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
2. I have attached to the upper right corner of my application a recent photograph of myself that need not be returned.
3. I have attached all required items to this application in the sequence indicated below and enclosed all of them in the same large flat envelope. If a required item is not included, my application will be disqualified.
  - (a.) A school transcript and/or letter from my Guidance Counselor verifying my GPA and graduation date.
  - (b.) In 300 words or less, a description who I am and of my aims, hopes, and goals. The essay must be a typed or computer copy.
  - (c.) One letter of recommendation from a school principal, teacher, advisor, employer, coach, etc. on official letterhead.

4. **Essay Question:** Please select 1 of the 3 topics listed below and answer the attached question. This essay should be no **more** 1000 words, and no **less** than 500 words.

**Community:**

- I. In this postmodern Society, do you believe that race is still an issue? How will your acquisition of a collegiate degree impact race relations?

**Personal:**

- II. What life experiences have shaped who you are today and what challenges have you overcome in achieving your education (i.e. financial, personal, medical, etc.)?

**Current Events:**

- III. Describe the solutions you would propose to improve or resolve a current issue, such as health care, the economy, discrimination, or a current topic of your choice.

**The essay must be a typed or computer copy.**

I am mailing this application postmarked no later than May 4, 2018. I authorize Mid-Hudson Valley Council of the NPHC to consult with any schools I attended or will attend and to examine my records.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Applicant*

**HAVE YOU ANSWERED EVERY QUESTION?**

All communications with the Mid-Hudson Valley Council of the NPHC concerning applications and awards must be in writing addressed to the above letterhead address. No communications from the Mid-Hudson Valley Council of the NPHC will be considered effective unless signed by its President, Vice President, or Executive Board Members. Please do not email the Mid-Hudson Valley Council of the NPHC concerning applications and awards. **The application and all attachments, including the photo, letter of**

**recommendation, transcripts/letter, and essays may be submitted via email or postal mail (must be in one large flat envelope).  
These materials will not be returned.**