Staten Island Federation of Parent - Teacher Associations

Aaron Bogad, President
Maria Sowan, 1st Vice President
Vera Pryor, 2nd Vice President
Nicole Ryan, Recording Secretary
Darline Woodhouse, Corresponding Secretary
Steven McCrimmon, Treasurer
Pamela Cupo, Parliamentarian

715 Ocean Terrace, Rm. 118
Staten Island, New York 10301
(718) 356-3247
Email: FederationScholarship@gmail.com
Website: www.SIFPTA.com



January 2020

Dear Friends of Education;

We are pleased to announce the 2020 Staten Island Federation of PTAs Scholarship Essay Contest.

The Staten Island Federation of PTAs is once again recognizing the efforts and accomplishments of our students by providing a \$2,000 scholarship award to one graduate of each Staten Island public high school, as well as one District 31 special education student. We honor these exceptional young people at our annual scholarship luncheon, which will be held on **Tuesday**, **June 2**, **2020** at The Hilton Garden Inn, 1100 South Avenue.

- The students are instructed to submit their Student Information Sheet and Essay to the College Advisor, or School Designee by **February 25, 2020**.
- No essays will be accepted from outside of the designee's office.
- Please note the essay recipient must be present at the luncheon to accept the award.

The Staten Island Federation of PTAs Scholarship Selection Committee will choose the scholarship winner from the essays received from each school.

Attached you will find instructions for;

- Staten Island High Schools D31, D75 scholarship and Concord High School
- D31 Special Education, instructions

Please review the instructions carefully in order to comply with the procedures. Any questions please contact Darline Woodhouse at 347-276-8013 or email federationscholarship@gmail.com.

Thank you for your cooperation,

Aaron Bogad, SIFPTA President

Three Attachments: Scholarship Instructions; Essay Flyer and Student Information Sheet

<u>Cc:</u> Principal, PTA President, College Advisor or Transition Coordinator, Parent Coordinator, Language Arts AP

Staten Island High Schools Scholarship Award Instructions for District 31, New Dorp High School, Gaynor McCown Expeditionary Learning School, Concord High School and District 75.

Your school is to submit (10) applications to the Staten Island Federation of PTAs. If you do not have (10) Essay applications, a minimum of (6) essays are required in order for your school to be considered for a scholarship. If you have any questions regarding this requirement, please contact us immediately.

College Advisor or School Designee:

Every student in the January, June or August 2020 graduating class should be encouraged to apply. Please advertise the attached **Essay Flyer** to your student body.

The Essay Flyer and Student Information Sheet are attached and they may be printed and reproduced as needed. They can also be accessed on the Federation website at www.sifpta.com. All essays are due to College Advisor or School Designee by **February 25, 2020**.

The College Advisor or School Designee is to <u>BLIND</u> all essays if there are more than 10 essays by <u>March 4th</u>, place them in a sealed manila envelope and make arrangements with the PTA President for pick up so the PTA Selection Committee can begin reading (selecting) the essays. <u>If there are ten (10) or less essays</u>, place them in a sealed envelope <u>UN-BLINDED</u> marked with your school's name and have you PTA President hand deliver the essays to the SIFPTA by Monday, March 16th.

PTA President:

If your school has more than ten (10) entries, a selection committee is to be established by the school's PTA. The role of the selection committee is to select ten (10) essays to be forwarded for consideration to the Staten Island Federation of PTAs Scholarship Committee. The PTA President or their designee should be the chairperson of this committee, provided their child is not a senior. Selection must be based on the criteria established by the Staten Island Federation of PTAs. The High School PTA Selection Committee needs to read the entries between March 5th and March 11th. Your school's 10 essays are due to Federation by Monday, March 16th.

The Criteria is:

- ^ Written essay based on this year's essay theme;
- ^ Completed Student Information Sheet;
- ^ The Essay recipient must be present to receive the award on Tuesday, June 2, 2020.

The chosen Essays, along with their Student Information Sheets, are to be placed and sealed in a manila envelope, with the name of your school on the front and marked **D31 General Education or District 75 Entries**.

The PTA President must hand deliver the essay and Student Information Sheet to the Federation Office, by Monday, March 16th. The Federation office is located in the Petrides Complex - 715 Ocean Terrace – Bldg. A, Room 118. The office will be open from 9:00 am to noon. If you have any questions, please call Darline Woodhouse at 347-276-8013 or email federationscholarship@gmail.com.

DO NOT MAIL ANY APPLICATIONS TO THE FEDERATION OFFICE.
THEY WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AND WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

<u>District 31 High School Special Education Scholarship Award Instructions</u> [Student Receiving Educational Support Services]

Each D31 High School is to submit **one** (1) **application** to the Staten Island Federation of PTAs.

College Advisor or School Designee:

Every District 31 special education student in the January, June or August 2020 graduating class should be encouraged to apply. Please advertise the attached **Essay Flyer** to your student body.

The Essay Flyer and Student Information Sheet are attached, and they may be printed and reproduced as needed. They can also be accessed on the Federation website at www.sifpta.com. All essays are due to College Advisor or School Designee by **February 25, 2020**.

The College Advisor is to BLIND the essay entries by <u>March 4th</u>, place them in a sealed manila envelope marked <u>Special Education Entry</u> and make arrangements with the PTA President for pick up.

PTA President:

A selection committee is to be established by the school's PTA. The role of the selection committee is to select one (1) District 31 Special Education student's essay to be forwarded for consideration to the Staten Island Federation of PTAs Scholarship Committee. The PTA President or designee should be the chairperson of this committee, provided their child did not apply. Selection must be based on the criteria established by the Staten Island Federation of PTAs. The High School PTA Selection Committee needs to read the Special Ed entries between March 5th and March 11th and deliver the selected (1) Special Education essay to the Federation Office by Monday, March 16th.

The Criteria is:

- ^ Written essay based on this year's essay question;
- ^ Completed Student Information Sheet
- ^ The Essay recipient must be present to receive the award on Tuesday, June 2, 2020

The chosen essay, along with the Student Information Sheet, is to be placed and sealed in a manila envelope with the name of your school on the front and marked **Special Education Entry**.

The PTA President **must hand deliver** the essay and Student Information Sheet to the Federation Office, by Monday, March 16th. The Federation office is located in the Petrides Complex - 715 Ocean Terrace – Bldg. A, Room 118. The office will be open from 9:00 am to noon. If you have any questions, please call Darline Woodhouse at 347-276-8013 or email federationscholarship@gmail.com.

DO NOT MAIL ANY APPLICATIONS TO THE FEDERATION OFFICE.
THEY WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AND WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.