Re: Academic Achievement Award Scholarship

Dear Counselor, Parent or Student:

The Monarch Awards Foundation, Inc. is a 501(c) (3) not-for-profit foundation of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Xi Nu Omega Chapter. Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc., the oldest Greek-letter organization established by Black college women in America, was formed in 1908 by nine Howard University students. It soon became America's premier organization for college-educated women, focusing on academic excellence and community service. The international sorority has grown to over 760 chapters, both undergraduate and alumnae.

Chartered as a graduate chapter on July 9, 1982, Xi Nu Omega established The Monarch Awards Foundation in 1988. The Foundation is pleased to offer a scholarship of up to $3,000 to a graduate of a Chicago Metropolitan Area High School currently attending a Historically Black College or University. To be considered, the applicant must meet the following criteria:

- Must have obtained at least a Second Semester Freshman status at an accredited four-year HBCU and be working on a first Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree
- Must show proof of graduation from a Chicago Metropolitan Area High School
- Must have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- Must submit the following by April 16, 2012.
  * Completed application form
  * Two (2) copies of typed essay on given topic
  * Two (2) letters of recommendation
  * Official sealed college transcript with raised seal

Awardees must submit proof of 2012 summer or fall enrollment before disbursement of funds.

Both female and male students are encouraged to apply for this scholarship. All applications and supporting materials must be postmarked no later than Monday, April 16, 2012 and mailed to the following address:

The Monarch Awards Foundation, Inc.
Attn: 2012 Scholarship Chairman
P.O. Box 19166
Chicago, Illinois 60619-0166

Please feel free to make additional copies of the letter and application for those interested. Applications are also available at www.MonarchAwardsFoundation.org. If you have any questions, or need additional information, please feel free to contact Marilyn Lacy via email at maf2012scholars@yahoo.com or by telephone at 1.800.616.5708.

Sincerely,

Latrice E. Eggleston, Ph.D.
President
Monarch Awards Foundation, Inc.

Marilyn G. Lacy
2012 Scholarship Chairman
Monarch Awards Foundation, Inc.
THE MONARCH AWARDS FOUNDATION, INC.
2012 Historically Black College/University Scholarship Application

PERSONAL INFORMATION (Please Print):

NAME ________________________________________________________

First  Middle  Last

HOME ADDRESS __________________________________________________

CITY ___________________________  STATE _________________  ZIP __________

HOME PHONE_______________________  CAMPUS PHONE_____________________

WORK PHONE_______________________  CELLULAR PHONE ___________________

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____________________________________________

ACADEMIC INFORMATION:

CURRENT CAMPUS____________________________________________________

ADDRESS__________________________________________________________

CITY ___________________________  STATE _________________  ZIP __________

CUMULATIVE GRADE POINT AVERAGE (G.P.A.) ________ On a 4.0 Scale

MAJOR ____________________________  MINOR ____________________________

ANTICIPATED GRADUATION DATE _______________________________________

EMPLOYER _________________________________  HOURS PER WEEK _________

List any awards, honors, or scholarships you have received while in college.

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NAME __________________________________________________________

PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES:
1. List campus activities and organizations in which you participate. Include leadership positions/ accomplishments.

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2. List community activities and organizations in which you participate. Include leadership positions.

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If additional space is needed, you may attach a separate sheet. Do NOT submit a resume.

ESSAY QUESTION:
On a separate sheet of paper, please respond to ONE of the following questions:

A. Select a creative work (a novel, a film, a poem, a musical piece, a painting or other work of art) that has influenced the way you view the world and the way you view yourself. Discuss the work and its effect on you.

B. If you were to protest something, for or against, what would it be and why?

ESSAY GUIDELINES:
Your essay must be 1-2 pages, and typed double-spaced in 12-point Arial or Times New Roman font. Your essay should include an introductory paragraph with a clearly stated thesis, supporting paragraphs that develop the thesis, and a concluding paragraph that brings closure to the topic.

Essays will be evaluated on clarity, organization, development, sentence structure, grammar, and punctuation, among other features. Please include two (2) copies of your essay with your application.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION:
You must submit two letters of recommendation with your application. List the names of the people writing the letters.

1. ___________________________________________ 2. ______________________________________

OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT
Please submit an official sealed transcript(s) of all college work.

I do hereby certify that the information contained herein is, to the best of my knowledge, true and accurate. I am fully aware that any intentional falsification of information contained within this application may result in the denial of this application. I also recognize that plagiarism in the essay will disqualify my entry. I further realize that this scholarship may be revoked if I fail to meet the designated requirements of application.

_________________________________        ______________________________________
Signature of Applicant                    Date

Application and materials MUST be submitted and postmarked no later than April 16, 2012
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