



**Post Office Box 9391
Jackson, Mississippi 39286**

2018 Scholarship Application Packet

The Metro-Jackson Alumni Chapter of Alcorn State University (ASU) Incorporated has long been a proponent of academic excellence as evidenced by its generous financial donation to ALCORN bound students.

This year; the chapter is preparing to award three (3) scholarships (1st place academic - \$2,000, 2nd place academic - \$1,200 and 3rd place Emma Maxine Simpson JAM - \$1000) to high school seniors in the metro area (Madison, Hinds and Rankin counties) who has demonstrated excellence in academic, achievement, leadership, and service.

The scholarship application, criteria and other information required to qualify are included in this package. The grading Rubric is also provided on the page 6.

If you have additional questions or concerns regarding these scholarships, please contact the Education Committee chairperson, Frank Branch at (601) 209-0792 or the committee co-chairpersons, Michael Gines at (601) 955-0665 or Tamarra Grace Butler at (601) 201-4275.



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Scholarship Criteria

All high school seniors interested in applying for the Metro-Jackson Alcorn Alumni Chapter, Inc. 2018 scholarship must meet the following criteria:

- 1. Applicant must complete graduation requirements outlined by the Mississippi Department of Education.**
- 2. Must be a graduate of a high school in the Metro Jackson (Madison, Hinds & Rankin counties) area.**
- 3. Have a grade point average of 2.50 or above on a 4.0 grading scale, or a 3.50 on a 5.00 grading scale.**
- 4. Have been actively involved in extracurricular and community activities.**
- 5. Have been accepted for admission to Alcorn State University.**

Application Procedures:

- 1. Complete application form.**
- 2. Complete a narrative stating your career and education aspirations.**
- 3. Provide a 7th Semester Official Transcript showing composite GPA signed by the school's counselor or stamped with the school's seal plus ACT or SAT test scores.**
- 4. Provide a recent photo of yourself for publication and complete release form on page 7.**
- 5. Provide acceptance letter from ASU.**
- 6. Mail completed application by April 13, 2018 with the documents requested in numbers 2, 3, 4, and 5 above to:**

**Mr. Michael D. Gines
4622 Norway Drive
Jackson, MS 39206**

Selection: The scholarship recipient will be selected by the Scholarship Committee. All decisions are based solely on academic excellence as indicated by test scores, grade point average, quality of written expression, student involvement, and in accordance with the criteria for the award.

Award Notification: The 1st and 2nd place scholarship winners will be notified by April 27, 2018 and invited to our regular Metro Jackson Alumni Chapter Meeting, Thursday, May 3, 2018 5:30p.m. (Jackson City Hall), 219 S President St, Jackson, MS 39205. The 3rd place scholarship winners will be notified by August 30, 2018. When proper documents are received verifying that winners have completed registration and are officially enrolled at Alcorn State University, the scholarship checks will be given directly to the winners no later than the 1st regular Metro Jackson Alumni Chapter Meeting in September 2018.



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

NOTE: Application must be typed or handwritten legibly in ink.

Date _____

Name _____ **Age** ____

Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip Code** _____

Phones: (Home) _____ **(Cell)** _____ **Email** _____

Parents: (Mother) _____ **Cell/email** _____

(Father) _____ **Cell/email** _____

Name of High School _____ **Principal's Name** _____

Honors or Awards: (Examples: Scholastic Club Officer, Scholastic honors, Star Student, Good Citizenship Award, Winner of National or Statewide Competition(s), etc.)

9th Grade: _____

10th Grade: _____

11th Grade: _____

12th Grade: _____

Extracurricular Participation: (Examples: Student Government Association, Athletics, Debate Team, School Choir or Band, Cheerleader, Scouts, School and Scholastic Clubs, Boys/Girls State, etc.)

9th Grade: _____

10th Grade: _____

11th Grade: _____

12th Grade: _____

Community Participation: (Examples: Blood Drive, Food Drive, Habitat for Humanity, Tutoring, working with youths, helping the Elderly, etc.)

9th Grade: _____

10th Grade: _____

11th Grade: _____

12th Grade: _____

Write a narrative stating your career and education aspirations. _____

Signature of Applicant



TO BE FILLED OUT BY SCHOOL COUNSELOR

Rank in Class _____ **Grade Point Average (GPA)** _____ **Test Score(s)** _____
ACT **SAT**

State any other information about this student which you feel would influence his/her eligibility for this scholarship. Also, please indicate if student's GPA is on a 4.0 or 5.0 scale.

Counselor's Signature

Date

SCHOLARSHIP GRADING RUBRIC

1. Grade point average (max 9 Points):

2.5 - 3.0 or 3.5 - 4.0 = 5 points

3.1 - 3.5 or 4.1 - 4.5 = 7 points

3.6 - 4.0 or 4.6 - 5.0 = 9 points

2. Quality of written expression (max 16 Points):

Development of topic	1	2	3	4
Ideas and Wording	1	2	3	4
Organization	1	2	3	4
Grammar and Mechanics	1	2	3	4

3. Your rating of student's Involvement (max 12 Points):

Leadership	1	2	3	4
School-related involvement	1	2	3	4
Community-related involvement	1	2	3	4

4. Counselor's Recommendation (max 5 Points):

5. All material included (max 8 Points):

Transcript	1	Grade point average	1
Essay	1	Statement of aspirations	1
Test Scores	1	Counselor's information/recommendation	1
Photo	1	Acceptance letter from ASU	1

NOTE: The highest number of points that any applicant can earn is 50.

PHOTO RELEASE FORM

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This authorization is continuous and may only be withdrawn by my specific rescission of this authorization.

By signing this agreement, I also certify that I am above 18 years old and legally authorized to sign contracts on my own behalf.

STUDENT SIGNATURE

DATE

NOTE: IF STUDENT IS UNDER THE AGE OF 18, PARENT/GUARDIAN MUST SIGN THIS FORM.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

DATE