



Mississippi Gulf Coast Chamber of Commerce, Inc.



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2019 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Mississippi Gulf Coast Chamber of Commerce **Connects, Informs, Advocates and Develops** through an extensive program of work conducted by the Biloxi, Gulfport, Long Beach and Pass Christian Chambers of Commerce as well as Coast Young Professionals, Leadership Gulf Coast and Coast Centurions Association.

CONNECT with the local community and the opportunities it offers

INFORM businesses of pertinent news and happenings

ADVOCATE on a local, state and national level as a voice for businesses

DEVELOP yourself, your employees and your business

Application Criteria

1. Eligible students must be a graduating high school senior either
 - a. Attending Gulfport High School, West Harrison High School or Harrison Central High School
 - b. Or reside in the City of Gulfport
2. Student must complete a typed essay of no more than 350 words answering: "After completing your higher education, do you plan to return to the Mississippi Gulf Coast to work? Please explain."
3. The student must score a minimum of 18 on the ACT and/or a 3.0 grade point average.
4. The student must include official transcript with application.
5. The student must include letter of recommendation from a current teacher, guidance counselor or school administrator.
6. The student must plan to, and subsequently enroll in, a college or university who is accredited by one of the six regional accrediting associations for colleges and schools.
7. The student must include copy of college or school acceptance letter or acceptance email.
8. The student must include a list of received scholarships, including monetary amount. If none have been received, note it on the back application.
9. The student must submit to an interview by the Gulfport Chamber of Commerce Education Committee.
10. Students are not eligible to apply for both the Gulfport Chamber of Commerce Scholarship and the Biloxi Chamber of Commerce Scholarship.
11. The student must demonstrate his or her worthiness for the scholarship by completing the application.
12. Applications must be delivered no later than **March 12, 2019**, and will not be accepted after that date.
13. Applications should be mailed or delivered to:
Gulfport Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Program
11975 B-120 Seaway Road
Gulfport, Mississippi 39503
or hannah@mscoastchamber.com

To obtain additional copies of the scholarship application, visit our website at www.mscoastchamber.com on the Gulfport Chamber page.

COMPLETE THE APPLICATION ON PAGE 2



STUDENT INFORMATION

First Name	Last Name	Email Address	
Home Address	City, State, Zip Code	Phone Number	Sex (M/F)
ACT Score	High School Cumulative GPA	College you plan to attend (Fall 2019)	
High School	Guidance Counselor's Name & Phone Number		

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. Please disclose if you are related to anyone in the Stewart Sneed or Hewes Family: Yes_____ No_____

If yes, Name:_____Relationship:_____

2. Why is a college degree important to you? (2-3 sentences printed in space provided)

3. Why do you need this scholarship? (2-3 sentences printed in space provided)

4. Additional Scholarships: Provide, on a separate sheet, a list of received scholarships including monetary amount.
If you have not received any additional scholarships, check this box.

I certify that the information provided is accurate and can be verified by my high school counselor. If selected as a scholarship recipient, I agree to allow the Gulfport Chamber of Commerce to submit my name, photo and essay for press coverage. If student is under 18, parent must sign.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____