



## SPHINX EDUCATIONAL FUND

2017

### J. Eugene Grigsby, Jr. & R. Thomasena Grigsby Scholarship Application

#### ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS AND APPLICATION GUIDELINES

1. **Student must be a 2017 graduating high school senior.**
2. **Student must be a male of African-American/Black heritage or descent.**
3. **Student must be a U.S. Citizen and a resident of Maricopa County.**
4. **Student must have a minimum cumulative grade point average of (GPA) of 3.0.**
5. **Student must provide written proof of their full-time enrollment at a college or university before funds will be disbursed.**
6. Scholarship recipients and or their family representative are expected to be in attendance at the Thurgood Marshall College Fund Brunch scheduled for **Saturday, September 30, 2017.**
7. Scholarship amounts may vary according to availability of funds. **The Sphinx Educational Fund reserves the right to determine the final amount of scholarship awards and when funds will be disbursed.**
8. The scholarship application is available online at: [www.sphinxeducationalfund.org](http://www.sphinxeducationalfund.org).
9. Applicants are encouraged to apply early for scholarship consideration. All completed applications materials **must be postmarked on or before June 30, 2017** for consideration.
10. Submit **two (2) typed** essays based upon on any of the following topics:
  - 1) Describe in a minimum of 100 words, how our organization can help African American male students be academically successful and more engaged in their education.
  - 2) Discuss an issue of personal, local or national concern in a minimum of 250 words.
  - 3) Select the Man or Woman of the past decade. Discuss how this individual's accomplishments or contributions have inspired you to attend college.
11. Submit a **typed personal statement of at least 500 words**. Your essay should specifically address the following: (1) your current careers goals and what steps you are taking or planning to take in order to achieve them, (2) what community service projects or volunteer work you have completed, (3) discuss your involvement in any extra-curricular activities, (4) a brief summary of any work experience (if applicable), (5) why you should be awarded this scholarship.
12. Two (2) typed letters of recommendations. One from a teacher and one from your counselor.
13. **Submit a wallet-size photograph of applicant (2 inch x 3 inch)**
14. Submit a sealed **official transcript from the registration office**. (No fax copies or photocopies)



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15. **Incomplete or late applications will NOT be considered for review.** Failure to adhere to the scholarship's guidelines will invalidate your application and it will not be considered for review.

#### APPLICANT INFORMATION

(Please print all information neatly and clearly)

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Home) Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street Address)

\_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
(City) (State) (Zip Code)

Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

#### Academic Information

Grade Point Average (GPA) \_\_\_\_\_ Class Rank \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Expected Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_ SAT/ACT Scores (highest) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of High School \_\_\_\_\_

High School Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip

#### Collegiate Aspiration

Name of College/University ( ) admitted ( ) or applied

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Name Major or Concentration

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Name Major or Concentration

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Name Major or Concentration



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Are you applying for financial aid? If yes, please explain. \_\_\_\_\_  
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**PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Home) Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street Address)

\_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
(City) (State) (Zip Code)

Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**All completed applications MUST BE POSTMARKED BY June 30, 2017 or earlier in order to receive consideration. NO APPLICATION FEE REQUIRED.**

**TERMS & CONDITIONS:**

**Each candidate agrees that all awards will be at the sole discretion of the Scholarship Committee and the decision of the Committee is final. Each candidate is encouraged to be present at the College Fund Brunch where scholarship awardees will be acknowledged. This year's event is scheduled to be held on Saturday, September 30, 2017.**

**IMPORTANT:**

Please note that all applications must be submitted in a typed, double-spaced format using 10 or 12- point font only.

**MAIL APPLICATION TO:**

**SPHINX EDUCATIONAL FUND**  
**P.O. BOX 25131**  
**Phoenix, Arizona 85002-5131**