

## SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

For Hadsoth lodge #250 family members

The Unforgotten Dreamers will award two graduating seniors, a 1-year scholarship. We welcome males and females as well as any ethnicity. This Scholar will be required to complete the requirements below:

### Essay

- Complete a five to eight paragraph essay
- Required Modern Language Association- MLA format
- Must be typed
- Essay reflects the chosen researched question chosen by the scholarship committee. Essay Topic: **“Does race play a role or encourages police brutality to occur more often? Two of the most highly profile cases of police brutality in the United States that have resulted in death have been George Floyd in Minneapolis, Minnesota and Walter Scott in North Charleston, South Carolina. Choose one of these names’ cases or any one of the other highly profile cases of police brutality mentioned over the past few years. Discuss the following:**
  - The background of the case
  - The overall effect of the case on the United States
  - The progress/outcome of the case
  - Did race play a factor in this case of police brutality? If so, how?
  - In your conclusion, explain what can possibly be done to alleviate police brutality.
- In 1988, President Ronald Reagan sought to “right a grave wrong “by signing legislation that apologized for the government ‘s forced relocation of 120,000 Japanese-American during World War II and established a \$1.25 billion trust fund to pay reparations to those who were forced into interment camps and to their families.
- However, the United States has never apologized for the nation’s treatment of enslaved people and their descendants. What do you think? Do you think that the descendants of enslaved people are owed anything for the wrongs of slavery? In the article “What Reparations Slavery Might Look Like in 2019,” Patricia Cohen explores different arguments and possibilities:
- Read the New York Times article, “What Reparations for Slavery Might Look Like in 2019,” by Patricia Cohen, dated May 23,2019, in its entirety. In a detailed essay of at least five (5) complete paragraphs, state your opinion on the following questions:
- Do you think that the United Sates owes the descendants of enslaved people an apology for slavery? If yes, what do you think an effective apology would look or sound like? Do you think that things like monuments, statues or memorials could be forms of apology?
- The article cites investments in education, housing and business as other models for reparations. What do you think about these approaches?
- Use this source and at least two (2) other current sources that you choose to support your argument presented in your thesis statement.

- **Remember that your thesis statement should be the last sentence in your first paragraph, and be sure to underline it.**
- Essay must be ORIGINAL

### **Essay Grading: Writing Rubric System**

#### **Additional components are required**

- High School Transcript
- Grade Point Average-GPA 2.5 / Courses "C" or better
- Graduating Class Rank
- Three (3) character references, which should include leadership qualities
- Community Involvement (i.e., church, school, organization, and/or volunteer service)
- A letter of recommendation from a school official at the current or last school attended
- SAT or ACT Scores
- Acceptance Letter (University or Community College)

#### **Responsibilities of the Scholarship Committee**

- Provide detailed essay guidelines to each scholar
- Scholarship will be paid directly to the one finalist.
- Grading for the contest will be divided into two equal parts:
  - Fifty percent--content of essay
  - Fifty percent--other criteria guidelines

#### **Deadline Date**

**All completed scholar packages are due to the Scholarship Committee Chairman no later than Friday May 5, 2023. Packages will not be accepted after the deadline date and incomplete packages will not be considered.**

**Scholars must satisfy all requirements set forth by the scholarship committee of Unforgotten Dreamers**