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MEMORANDUM

To: High School Guidance Counselors
College and University Financial Aid Officers

From: Stephanie Spangler, Director of Member Services

Date: September 28, 2021

Re: MAS County Employee Scholarship Program

MAS is now accepting applications for the **2022 MAS County Employee Scholarship Program**. MAS will award up to **two (2) \$500 scholarships** per county.

Who Can Apply?

Applicants must have an immediate family member (Applicant him/herself, Applicant's spouse, parent, stepparent, grandparent, step-grandparent, legal guardian, aunt, uncle, etc.) currently working for or retired from a Mississippi county to be eligible to apply. (Relatives of **elected** county officials are not eligible.)

"**County employee**" means any person working directly for the county government (not a school district, county hospital or other separate entity).

Yes:

- ✓ High school seniors
- ✓ Current college students
- ✓ County employees taking college courses
- ✓ County employees' spouses taking college courses

No:

- ✗ Dependents of **elected** county officials (current or retired)
- ✗ Dependents of teachers, school boards, county-owned hospitals or other non-county government divisions
- ✗ Previous recipients of an MAS scholarship

How to Apply:

The enclosed application states the eligibility requirements and instructions for submitting applications. For more information or to download additional applications, please visit the MAS website at <https://www.mssupervisors.org/scholarship-program>.

When to Apply:

Applications must be submitted to the MAS office **no later than February 1, 2022** to be considered.

Contact Stephanie Spangler at 601.353.2741 or via email at sspangler@massup.org for more information. We look forward to working with you to promote this scholarship to assist county employees' families.

MISSISSIPPI ASSOCIATION OF SUPERVISORS 2022 COUNTY EMPLOYEE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

The Mississippi Association of Supervisors County Employee Scholarship Program will award scholarships to Applicants in each Mississippi county meeting the eligibility requirements below. Counties will receive up to two \$500 scholarships based on the county's participation in the **MAS Insurance Trust** (property and casualty insurance) and the **MPE Workers Compensation Trust**.

Instructions

1. **ALL** sections of this application must be completed and submitted with each of the required attachments. **Incomplete applications will be rejected.** Required documents include:
 - ✓ Completed 2022 County Employee Scholarship Application Form.
 - ✓ Letter or transcript on school letterhead clearly stating student's cumulative GPA. Transcript does not have to be official (sealed) but **must** state the GPA.
 - ✓ Letter on county letterhead verifying the employment or retirement of Applicant's Sponsor (non-elected county employee or retired non-elected county employee).
 - ✓ Typed essay (up to 750 words): There are many different roles within county government: supervisor, clerk, sheriffs' deputy, road worker, tax assessor, etc. **Choose one county official or employee, and discuss the duties and responsibilities of that person.** Be specific, personal and creative. What does that person do in a typical day at work? How do they interact with other county offices? How does their job impact you personally, your family and your community?
2. Please **type** or **print** legibly in blue or black ink. You may attach additional sheets if space is needed.
3. **Questions?** Contact Stephanie Spangler at sspangler@massup.org or call 601.353.2741.
4. **Deadline.** Application packets must be **received** at the MAS Office no later than **February 1, 2022**. **Late applications will not be considered.** Send completed application with all attachments to:

Via U. S. Mail:

MAS Scholarship Program
793 N. President St.
Jackson, MS 39202

Via email to: sspangler@massup.org

Via fax to: (601) 353-2749
Attention: Scholarship Program

Eligibility Requirements.

Applicant must meet all criteria listed below:

- Applicant must identify an eligible Sponsor. **"Sponsor"** may be the Applicant, Applicant's spouse or family member (parent, stepparent, grandparent, step-grandparent, legal guardian, aunt, uncle, etc.) who is currently employed by or retired from Mississippi county government. **Elected county officials (current or retired) are not eligible Sponsors.**
- Be a legal resident of the State of Mississippi.
- Have a minimum GPA of 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale) and demonstrate community/civic involvement.
- Applicant must attend an accredited Mississippi college, junior or community college, or university (public or private) or technical/trade school (an "Eligible School") for the Fall 2022 semester.
- If awarded a scholarship, Applicant must sign a Statement of Intent to attend an Eligible School. Failure to sign the Statement of Intent before August 1, 2022 will result in forfeiture of scholarship. A sample Statement of Intent is available on the MAS website at www.mssupervisors.org.

MISSISSIPPI ASSOCIATION OF SUPERVISORS 2022 COUNTY EMPLOYEE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Section 1: General Information

Applicant's Full Name: _____ Age: _____ Sex: _____

Mailing Address: _____ County: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Email address: _____

Have you previously applied for the MAS County Employee Scholarship? Yes No When? _____

Were you previously awarded an MAS County Employee Scholarship? Yes No When? _____

Section 2: Sponsor's Information

Eligible Sponsors include: Applicant, Applicant's spouse or family member (parent, stepparent, grandparent, step-grandparent, guardian, aunt, uncle, etc.) who is currently employed by or retired from Mississippi county government. *NOTE: Sponsor cannot be an elected official.*

Sponsor: _____ County: _____

Title/Department: _____ Relationship to Student: _____

Status? Currently Employed Retired Retirement Date: _____

Must provide letter from the County verifying employment/retirement of Sponsor.

Section 3: Academic Information

GPA (current school): _____ *Must provide proof of GPA on school letterhead.*

School you plan to attend in Fall 2022: _____

Currently Enrolled Accepted, not Enrolled Applied, not Accepted Will Apply

Section 4: Community/Civic Involvement

Please list all school clubs, sports, honor societies, civic or community activities, volunteer projects, and/or employment experience (attach a separate sheet if needed):

Section 5: Affirmations and Signature

Initial each statement; sign and date below.

_____ *The information contained in this application is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.*

_____ *The attached essay is my own, original work.*

_____ *I hereby affirm that I am not a dependent of an elected county official.*

_____ *If I am awarded a scholarship, I understand I must execute a Statement of Intent expressing my intention to attend an Eligible School by August 1, 2022 or forfeit this scholarship.*

_____ *Deadline to apply is February 1, 2022. Applications received after that date will not be considered.*

Signature of Applicant

Date