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Ald. Milele A. Coggs
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Entrees for 12th Annual Freedom Essay Scholarship Contest now being accepted

Alderman Milele A. Coggs is challenging recent high school graduates (2018-2020) to analyze the concept of “freedom” for the **12th Annual Freedom Essay Scholarship Contest**. The \$500 scholarship is open to Milwaukee high school graduates who are college-bound.

The topic for the essay is “freedom,” and entrants are encouraged to analyze why it is vital that the remembrance, history and lessons of freedom be passed to a new generation. It is also suggested that entrants remark on what they as students can do to combat and prevent prejudice, discrimination and violence in our world today. **The suggested length of an applicant’s essay is 1,000 words or less.**

“I am excited to announce the return of our annual Freedom Essay Contest,” said Alderman Coggs. “Every year we challenge students and future leaders to think critically about what freedom means to them. Given the current circumstances brought about by COVID-19, it is even more important to contemplate the idea of freedom while drawing on modern day experiences. I encourage everyone who meets the requirements to apply and help us to continue to celebrate the lessons and history of freedom that have been passed down to us.”

Applications and guidelines are available online at milwaukee.gov/District6/FSEC. Applications are being accepted now until the close of business on **August 14, 2020**, and can be submitted online or by mail. Entries sent via mail must be postmarked by August 14.

The contest is open to students who reside in the City of Milwaukee and attended a public, private, parochial or home school, or who participated in a high school correspondence program in the city. Preference will be given to residents of the 6th Aldermanic District.

Additional contest rules, complete details and submission requirements are contained within the application. For more information, please contact Akuwa Dantzler at **(414) 286-8640**.



FREEDOM

Scholarship Essay Contest

Submission Deadline

AUG 14
2020



Can you use an extra

\$500

OBJECTIVE



The objective of the Freedom Scholarship Essay Contest is to assist our college bound recent high school graduates in the Milwaukee area to better understand where their paths lead.

We hope that this contest will help our youth appreciate the sacrifice that African American men and women of our past have made, and recognize their duty to continue the legacy of freedom through their activism and vigilance.

ESSAY TOPIC

Analyze the concept of "FREEDOM" in a 1,000 word essay or less:

- (A) analyze why it is so vital that the remembrance, history and lessons of freedom be passed to a new generation
- (B) suggest what they, as students, can do to combat and prevent prejudice, discrimination and violence in our world today

*See contest rules for complete details and submission requirements.

ELIGIBILITY

City of Milwaukee Resident

Recent high school graduate (2018, 2019, 2020)

Attended one of the following in the City of Milwaukee:

- Public school
- Private school
- Parochial school
- Home school
- High school correspondence program

*Preference will be given to 6th District residents.



For application and submission info visit :

milwaukee.gov/District6/FSEC

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