

The Chicago Chapter of the Florida A&M University National Alumni Association 2009 Academic Scholarship Program Overview

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Chicago Chapter of the Florida A&M University National Alumni Association is to serve as a non-profit support organization to Florida A&M University.

VISION STATEMENT

The vision of the Chicago Chapter is to support FAMU through recruiting talented high school students, providing financial resources and generating goodwill for the university through programs and activities that benefit the community.

2009 SCHOLARSHIP OVERVIEW

As a part of accomplishing our mission and vision for FAMU and prospective students, we are pleased to announce our 2009 Academic Scholarship Award program. Our goal is to encourage Chicago-area students to attend FAMU while helping to eliminate the financial barriers of doing so. This year, we will award various merit and book scholarships up to \$1,500.00. Each student will be required to provide verification of enrollment, class schedule, and proof of campus arrival in order to receive their award in the fall.

SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY

To qualify for this award, the applicant:

1) Must be a Chicago-area high school senior or graduate that has been accepted and will attend FAMU for the fall semester 2009; a Chicago-area high school graduate enrolled in Junior College that has been accepted and will be transferring to FAMU for the fall semester of 2009; or is currently enrolled as a full-time undergraduate or graduate student at FAMU.

Note: A "Chicago-area" student is defined as a student that has residency in Illinois. The only exceptions will be students residing in East Chicago, Indiana and current FAMU students who changed

their residency from Illinois to Florida for the purpose of obtaining “in-state” tuition rates.

2) Must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0/4.0 scale or “B” average.

3) Must submit the following:

a. FOR HIGH SCHOOL APPLICANTS:

- *Application form
- *Official (sealed) transcript including fall 2008 grades
- *Letter of acceptance from Florida A&M University
- *Two photocopies of the entire application package

b. FOR JUNIOR COLLEGE APPLICANTS:

- *Application form
- *Official (sealed) transcript including fall 2008 grades
- *Letter of acceptance from Florida A&M University
- *Two photocopies of the entire application package

c. FOR FAMU APPLICANTS:

- *Application form
- *Proof of Illinois ties (examples: copy of IL state issued identification; high school credentials- such as copy of diploma; final transcript)
- *Official (sealed) FAMU transcript including fall 2008 grades
- *Two photocopies of the entire application package

4) May also include up to two letters of recommendation from someone (not a relative) who knows you well.

SCHOLARSHIP SUBMISSION DEADLINE

Submissions must be postmarked on or before May 8, 2009. Please **MAIL** your application and materials to:

Attention:

2009 Scholarship FAMU NAA Award Committee

1032 Brunswick Harbor

Schaumburg, IL 60193

For more information and to download an application visit: www.windycityrattlers.com. Applications sent via email will not be accepted.

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2009 Scholarship Application

Please type or attach a word-processed document of your answers.

SECTION 1

Check one:

High School student Junior College student Current FAMU student

Applicant Name:

School:

School Address:

School phone number (with area code):

Counselor name:

Current address (including zip code):

Home phone number or number where you can be reached (with area code):

Email address:

How did you hear about our scholarship?

SECTION 2

Cumulative GPA (include grading scale):

Total college credit hours earned:

Classification in fall 2009:

List honors and awards received:

List extra-curricular activities:

Leadership positions held:

Work Experience (may attach resume):

Hobbies/special interests:

SECTION 3

What is your major/intended major?

Describe your career goals:

SECTION 4

Why did you decide to attend Florida A&M University?

SECTION 5

Prior to 1953, what was Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University's name?

Name five of FAMU's core values:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

Who is the President of the university?

Name five schools and/or colleges within the university:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

Name five notable FAMU alumni and briefly list their accomplishments:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

SECTION 6

Have you already been awarded any scholarships towards tuition, room and board, books, etc.? No/ Yes - if yes, please list the award(s) and amount(s)

What is the gap (if any) of the amount of funds needed to pay your tuition, room & board and books? Please complete the table below by providing an estimate of your expenses:

| FAMU Expenses | Cost estimate |
|--|---------------|
| Tuition and fees | |
| Room & Board | |
| Books | |
| Meal Plan | |
| Personal Expenses | |
| Total | |
| Personal Funds Applied (Parental Assistance, Personal Savings, College Fund, etc.) | |
| Loans/financial aid | |
| Grants | |
| Scholarships received List type and amount(s) | |
| Total | |
| Estimated gap (Subtract FAMU Expenses from Personal Funds Applied) | |

Is there any additional information that you'd like to provide for your consideration of the scholarship?