

MLK COMMUNITY COALITION OF LEBANON SCHOLARSHIP RULES

Entry in this scholarship constitutes your acceptance of these official rules. MLK Community Coalition of Lebanon is offering a graduating senior of Lebanon High School, Lebanon, Ohio the opportunity to apply for a \$1,000 scholarship award.

Scholarship Deadline

Scholarship is open Monday, January 18, 2021, and ends Saturday, March 20, 2021. All entries must be submitted by Saturday, March 20, 2021, at 11:59:59 p.m. EST.

Eligibility

Any graduating senior of Lebanon High School, Lebanon, Ohio who has been accepted to attend a college, university, trade school, nursing school, post educational institution in pursuit of an post-secondary degree. Proof of acceptance/enrollment will need to be submitted upon request.

Members of the MLK Lebanon Board and its affiliates or related organizations, their immediate family members are not eligible for this scholarship opportunity.

How to Enter

All scholarship entries must be submitted through the website or by mail. All scholarship applications will need to be submitted by Saturday, March 20, 2021, at 11:59:59 p.m. EST.

Scholarship Submission

Scholarship entry must include the 4 page application along with the essay. Essay must be **typed, double-spaced response.** (*Entries should be no longer than four pages, and we strongly encourage creativity.*)

Awards

The first place winner of the MLK Community Coalition of Lebanon Scholarship will receive a \$1,000 scholarship. Winner will be announced at the Lebanon High School senior awards ceremony and will receive their award certificate. Proceeds from the scholarship award will be mailed to the Financial Aid Office at the school the student will be attending after verification of enrollment is received. Taxes are the sole responsibility of the scholarship winner.

Award Acceptance

To accept the scholarship awards, the winners must present the following:

- College/School acceptance letter
- Enrollment confirmation
- Copy of college id
- Address to the University Bursar office

Scholarship Judging

Entries will be judged by a panel of experts who are MLK Community Coalition of Lebanon board members or representatives designated by MLK Community Coalition of Lebanon. The eligible submissions will be judged on the following criteria:

- Format/Layout – presentation of the text, structuring, font and style
- Content/Information – all elements of the topics are addressed, the information is technically sound, the information is based on careful research, coherence of information
- Quality of Writing – clarity of sentences and paragraphs, no errors, misspellings, grammar and use of English, organization and coherence of ideas
- References and use of references – scholarly level of references, how effective the references are used in the essay, soundness of references, APA style in reference list and for citations
- GPA, community service, work history, and extra-curricular activities will also considered.

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Judges will evaluate and attribute a score to each entry based upon the criteria listed above. In the event that a potential winner is disqualified for any reason, the entry that received the next-highest score will be chosen as the potential winner.

The scholarship winner will be notified by phone and mail. All funds will be made payable to the winner's college/university.

General Conditions

All federal, state, and local laws and regulations apply. MLK Community Coalition of Lebanon reserves the right to disqualify any Entrant from the scholarship if it reasonably believes that the entrant did not follow the guidelines set forth, or providing false information within the context of the scholarship concerning identity, age, eligibility, mailing address, telephone number, e-mail address, and credit union affiliation. MLK Community Coalition of Lebanon also reserves the right to disqualify any Entrant if it reasonably believes that the Entrant has attempted to undermine the legitimate operation of the scholarship by cheating, deception, or other unfair playing practices or annoys, abuses, threatens or harasses other entrants, viewers, or the judges.

Privacy

MLK Community Coalition of Lebanon will not disclose Entrants' personal information, such as phone number or e-mail address, to any outside entity. Entrant's personal information will be used only to determine eligibility and distribute scholarship funds.

Publicity

As a condition of entry, Entrant agrees to permit MLK Community Coalition of Lebanon to use his or her name and/or likeness for advertising and promotional purposes without additional compensation, unless prohibited by law.

The undersigned voluntarily consents to MLK Community Coalition of Lebanon and its member credit unions permission to use my photograph(s), name, story and/or voice for communication purposes, including without limitation in publications on the web, and releases MLK Lebanon or its members from any liability that may result from a use consistent with said release.

Warranty

By entering, Entrant represents and warrants to **MLK Lebanon**: that the submitted entry is the participant's own original work. In addition, participants release and hold harmless MLK Community Coalition of Lebanon, their respective affiliates, directors, officers, employees, attorneys, and representatives from any and all liability for any injuries, loss claim, action, demand, or damage of any kind arising from participation in the 2021 MLK Community Coalition of Lebanon Scholarship.

Entry Errors

MLK Community Coalition of Lebanon is not responsible for any malfunction of the scholarship submission site or any late, lost, damaged, misdirected, incomplete, illegible, undeliverable, or destroyed videos due to system errors, failed, incomplete or garbled technological malfunctions, or other telecommunication transmission malfunctions.