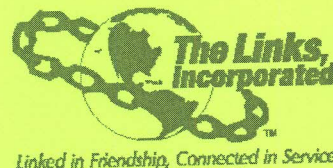


Southern Maryland Chain Chapter The Links Incorporated

February 1, 2017



To: **High School Seniors**

From: **Delores Harris Wilson**
Southern Maryland Chain Chapter, The Links Incorporated
Services to Youth, Chairperson

Re: **2017 Links College Scholarship**

The Southern Maryland Chain Chapter, of The Links Incorporated is offering six scholarships to college bound high school seniors in the Tri-County area of Southern Maryland. The scholarship is open to high school seniors who demonstrate academic excellence, a social commitment to community service, the potential for leadership and the need for a financial source to help offset the initial cost of college expenses.

The Southern Maryland Chain Chapter, The Links Incorporated is a national volunteer service organization chartered in 1982. Albertine T. Lancaster was the chapter's visionary leader and organizer. The current membership of 39 concerned, committed and talented African American women are linked in friendship. We work to enhance the quality of life in the Tri-County Southern Maryland Area. The chapter has engaged in multiple projects to support education, health, civic and cultural enrichment, and over \$95,000.00 has been awarded in scholarship support since 1982. One of the scholarship awards will be the "Albertine T. Lancaster Memorial Scholarship" given in honor of her memory. She is remembered for her leadership in the Southern Maryland Chain Chapter (1982—2007). Her leadership as a social worker, child welfare advocate, and as a member of the State Board of Education was highly respected throughout Maryland. Her life's work was devoted to the well-being of children and families.

Scholarship Award Process:

Three to six scholarships of \$500.00 or \$1,000.00 are awarded each year by the Southern Maryland Chain Chapter, The Links Incorporated.

Eligibility:

- * United States citizen residing in the Tri-County area
- * **2017** graduating high school senior
- * **Application Process Completed:**
 - Part A—Personal Data (10%)
 - Part B—Academic and Community Involvement (20%)
 - Part C—Essay (15%) Personal Interview (20%)
Letter of Recommendation (15%)
 - Part D—Transcript / Profile—A School Representative Form (20%)

Deadline:

Return the completed application on or before **April 1st, 2017** to the Services to Youth member who is designated to represent your county.

Calvert County

Delecia R. Eller
3871 Chipping Lane
Port Republic, MD 20676

Charles County

Jehnell A. Linkins
Post Office Box D
Bryans Road, MD 20616

St. Mary's County

Delores H. Wilson
Services to Youth, Chair
21921 Spring Valley Drive
Lexington Park, MD 20653

- Finalists will be contacted and scheduled (**the week of April 10th – April 14th, 2017**) for an interview in their county.
- Scholarship award recipients will notify chapter of college registration. Awards will be disbursed after this notification is received. (**Before August 1st, 2017**)

Southern Maryland Chain Chapter, The Links Incorporated

2017 College Scholarship Application—Part A



Linked in Friendship, Connected in Service

The deadline for submitting a completed application is **April 1st, 2017**. Applicant finalists will be contacted and invited to participate in the Interview Process. (**April 10th — April 14th, 2017**) All **2017** scholarship recipients will be notified by **May 2nd, 2017**.

PERSONAL DATA (TYPE OR PRINT IN BLACK OR BLUE INK)

Full Legal Name	_____	_____	_____
	Last	First	Middle
Physical Address	_____		
	Street		

	City	State	Zip
Mailing Address (if different from above)	_____		
	Street / P.O. Box		

	City	State	Zip
Other Data	_____		
	Date of Birth	Telephone #	E-Mail Address
High School	_____		
	Name		

	Street / P.O. Box		

	City	State	Zip

TO BE COMPLETED BY PARENT OR GUARDIAN

FATHER / MALE GUARDIAN

MOTHER / FEMALE GUARDIAN

Name	
_____	_____
Relationship	Occupation
_____	_____
# Exemptions Claimed	Ages of Applicant's Siblings

Name	
_____	_____
Relationship	Occupation
_____	_____
# Exemptions Claimed	Ages of Applicant's Siblings

Southern Maryland Chain Chapter, The Links Incorporated

2017 College Scholarship Application—Part B



Name of Applicant _____

List below your test scores and the date(s) that you took the test or will take the following. **(Please SUBMIT Attachment copies of your SAT or ACT Results.)**

SAT

Math _____ Verbal _____ Writing _____
score / date score / date score / date

ACT (optional)

composite score / date

Complete the following to the best of your ability. Please do not send original artifacts. Copies of all applications will be destroyed after scholarship winners are notified.

Please list the institutions to which you have applied for admission.

Name of Institution	Have you been accepted?	Date of acceptance
---------------------	-------------------------	--------------------

What institution do you plan on attending? _____

High School activities— <u>Include Attachments</u>	Dates	Leadership roles
---	-------	------------------

(Please **include** the **activities' ATTACHMENTS** on another sheet of paper.)

Community/service /employment— <u>Attachments</u>	Dates	Leadership roles
--	-------	------------------

(Please **include** the **activities' ATTACHMENTS** on another sheet of paper.)

List awards, scholarships, publications, or special recognitions you have received. **Include Attachments.**

(Please include the **ATTACHMENTS** on another sheet of paper.)

Southern Maryland Chain Chapter, The Links Incorporated
2017 College Scholarship Application—Part C



Name of Applicant _____

Personal Statement / Essay—Part C: Please **TYPE** an **ESSAY** about your plans for a future career. **Include details** of why you have chosen this career; who, if anyone has inspired you to follow this career; and how you will work in this career to make a difference in the world. If you do not have a career in mind, then **describe** the role you see yourself in the future; who if anyone has inspired you to become the person you want to be; and how you will make a difference in the world.

Letters of Recommendation—Part C: Please submit **two (2)** letters of recommendation from an individual in your school and community who can best portray your character, accomplishments and need for scholarship assistance. (The letters **MUST** be **submitted to you, the Applicant, on / or before March 24th, 2017.**)

NOTE: Applicant, make sure you include your **TYPED Personal Statement / Essay**, your **Letters of Recommendation** and your **Attachments** (high school activities; community/service/employment activities; list of awards, scholarships, publications or special recognitions) with your **Scholarship Application Packet** that is **DUE on / or before April 1st, 2017.**

Personal Interview – Applicant **finalists** will be contacted and invited to participate in interviews, (**April 10th — April 14th, 2017**). All of the **2017 Scholarship Recipients** will be notified by **May 2nd, 2017.**)

**Southern Maryland Chain Chapter, The Links Incorporated
2017 College Scholarship Application—Part D**



Name of Applicant _____

TO BE COMPLETED BY A SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVE

Name of Applicant's School Counselor _____

PLEASE ENCLOSE AN OFFICIAL HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT FOR THIS APPLICANT

Has the applicant submitted an application for admission to an accredited institution? Yes ____ No ____

Has the student been accepted? Yes ____ No ____

If yes, name(s) of institution(s) _____

Please, answer the following based on your personal knowledge of the applicant.

Applicant's need for financial assistance	Unknown	Low	Moderate	High
Applicant's interest in post secondary education	Unknown	Low	Moderate	High
Aptitude for post secondary education	Unknown	Low	Moderate	High
Probability of completing college	Unknown	Low	Moderate	High

Comments are REQUIRED: Please ATTACH your typed COMMENTS that support the student's application for this scholarship.

Signature of School Representative completing this form

Title

Date

**Please RETURN PART D / YOUR ATTACHED COMMENTS
AND AN OFFICIAL HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT TO THE APPLICANT IN A
SEALED ENVELOPE BY Friday, March 24th, 2017.**