



Urban League of
Broward County

August 29th, 2019.

The Urban League of Broward County is pleased to announce the Atlantic Coast Center of Excellence is accepting applications for Spring Induction into the National Achievers Society. The Spring Induction Service is scheduled for **Saturday, December 14th, 2019.** The application deadline is **Friday, November 8th, 2019.**

The National Achievers Society is a prestigious National Honor Society, which recognizes students for their academic and cultural achievements. Induction into the National Achievers Society brings nationwide attention to students who demonstrate excellence and provides opportunities for students to receive scholarships.

Membership in the National Achievers Society (formerly known as the Thurgood Marshall Achievers Society/McKnight Achievers) provides enrichment activities for students. The organization also provides opportunities for parents and other interested adults to stay involved in the student's education. The National Achievers Society helps to equip students to identify and meet the challenges of the 21st century. Achievers and their parents have opportunities to participate in community service projects, literacy activities, field trips, academic competitions and a Leadership Conference held in Tampa or Orlando, Florida.

The Atlantic Coast Center of Excellence has inducted over 3,521 students into the National Achievers Society over the past fifteen years. Students are recommended for Induction by their school principals, teachers, churches and community leaders. The society emphasizes values, such as giving back to the community, the importance of studying and academic persistence and it encourages parents to become more engaged in their children's education. For the last fifteen years, hundreds of graduating Achievers have been awarded academic scholarships to colleges and universities throughout the United States.

Applications can be mailed or dropped off at the Urban League office, 560 NW 27th Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33311. To answer any questions you might have, please feel free to contact Sahira Bacchus at 954-630-6493 or sbacchus@ulbcfl.org or Ms. Vonda Carter 954-703-3513 or at vpcarter@ulbcfl.org. Thank you in advance for your interest in the National Achievers Society.

Sincerely,

Sahira Bacchus

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COE Director, Atlantic Coast Center of Excellence



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The Atlantic Coast Center of Excellence (ACCOE) National Achiever's Society Eligibility Criteria

The National Achievers Society (NAS) was established with the purpose of encouraging students in 3rd through 12th grade to excel both academically and culturally. For more information, you can visit the statewide website at <https://fefonline.org/nas.html>. The National Achiever's Society is now accepting applications. A completed application consists of the student's 3 latest report cards issued prior to the due date a completed application (attached), Laws of Life Essay, and payment. Please ensure an email address is included in the application.

Membership Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for recommendation for the National Achievers Society;

An applicant must be a full time student in a Broward County private, public, or charter elementary or secondary school.

An applicant must be in grades 3-11.

An applicant must have achieved above the normal expectation in academic or cultural endeavors.

Academic Criteria

An applicant must have a minimum of two "A's" and no "D's" or "F's".

An applicant in honors, gifted, dual enrollment or advanced placement classes may have one "C" per grading period.

An applicant must maintain A/B grades for three most recent and consecutive grading periods.

An applicant must complete and submit a "Laws of Life Essay".



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APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Before bringing the National Achievers Society Application, please verify by checking the box (X) that you have enclosed the following:

- The completed application, neatly typed or printed.
- Two (2) letters of recommendation.
- The completed "Law of Life Essay".
- The copy of the last report card. (4th Quarter)
- OR \$100.00 Money Order or cash ONLY** – Registration fee, Jacket, Bow tie and T-Shirt.

***** All fees are non-refundable *****

Method of Payment: Money Order Cash School Check

Complete Jacket/T-Shirt Order Form Below:

Adult Sizes: Please Check (X)

Small (36-38)	Medium (40-42)	Large (44-46)	X-Large (48-50)	XX-Large (52)
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Jacket:

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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T-Shirt:

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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PLEASE RETURN TO:

Urban League of Broward County at 560 NW 27th Avenue, Fort Lauderdale Florida, 33311

Phone: 954-584-0777, Fax: 754-200-5750

URBAN LEAGUE OF BROWARD COUNTY, INC.

ATLANTIC COAST CENTER OF EXCELLENCE

NATIONAL ACHIEVERS SOCIETY APPLICATION

Please check one:

Academic Nomination

Cultural or Artistic Nomination

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____

PARENT'S NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ CELL _____ E-MAIL _____

MALE FEMALE

AGE _____ GRADE _____

ANTICIPATED YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION _____

SCHOOL NAME _____ SCHOOL PHONE _____

PRINCIPAL'S NAME _____

SCHOOL ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____

SPONSOR – A sponsor is an adult who agrees to serve as a mentor to the applicant. A sponsor may be a parent, guardian, relative or family member. A sponsor's duty is to encourage the applicant to stay involved and participate in National Achievers Society activities:

SPONSOR'S NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ CELL _____ E-MAIL _____

List your membership in school and community organizations.

List what you consider to be your major accomplishments.

REQUIRED SIGNATURES

(Principal/Assistant Principal)

(Date)

(Teacher/Advisor)

(Date)

(Parent or Guardian)

(Date)

(Sponsor)

(Date)

CENTER OF EXCELLENCE

Application of Participation



National Achievers Society

Academic Enrichment Center

Brain Bowl Competition

Summer Enrichment Program

Believers Society

Date

Student Information

Social Security Number

School ID Number

Last Name

First Name

Date of Birth

Place of Birth

Street Address

City

State

Zip Code

Phone Number

Emergency Number

School

Current Grade

Cum. GPA

- Class Enrollment:
- Regular Gifted
- Honors AP
- Dual Enrollment Special Education

Graduation Year

Special Honors:

Plans to attend College Yes No

If yes, name College

Ethnicity (Optional) African American

White

Hispanic

Asian/P.I.

Other

Family Information (Confidential information used for demographic purposes only.)

Live with: Mother Father Both

Relative Specify:

Other Specify:

Parent / Guardian Name:

E-mail:

Father's Phone

Work Phone

Mother's Phone

Work Phone

Father's Education High School
 Vocational Training
 College Degree

Mother's Education High School
Vocational Training
 College Degree

Highest Grade Completed

Highest Grade Completed

Annual Household Income \$0-14,999 \$15,000-24,999 \$25,000-39,999 \$40,000-49,999
 \$50,000 or above

Public Assistance Yes No

AFDC Yes No

Free/Reduced Lunch Yes No

Total Number in Household

Student Scholarship Information

Have you applied for:

Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Yes No

National Achievers Scholars Award Yes No

Scholarship Received

PARENTAL CONSENT / RELEASE FORM

The Center of Excellence Program is a partnership with you, your child, and his/her church/community center and is designed to provide participants with educational assistance that may include tutoring, mentoring, skills building, and other training. Students also participate in community service projects, workshops, and field trips that are pertinent to their education development. By signing below, you acknowledge the goals of the Program and grant permission for your child to participate and your child agrees to participate. *I hereby grant the Staff of the Center of Excellence Program permission to have access to my child's educational records and demographic information and to forward to the Florida Education Fund, Inc., its parent organization*

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Student Signature:

Date



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MEDIA / PHOTO FORM

The Urban League of Broward County would like your permission to use a photograph of you for publication and / or publicity purposes.

My signature below gives the Urban League of Broward County full authorization to use a photograph of me for promotional purposes at any time and/or following my participation in an Urban League of Broward County program.

I DO consent for use of photographs

(Participant's Name)

(Authorized Signature)

(Date)

***If under 18, consent and authorized signature must be given by a parent or guardian.**

I DO NOT consent for use of photographs

(Participant's Name)

(Authorized Signature)

(Date)



Florida Education Fund

Photo Release Form

I hereby grant the Florida Education Fund permission to use my likeness in a photograph or photographs in any and all of its publication, including website entries, without payment or any other consideration.

I understand and agree that these materials will become the property of the Florida Education Fun and will not be returned.

I hereby irrevocably authorize the Florida Educatoin Fund to edit, alter, copy, exhibit, publish or distribute my likeness in a photograph or photographs for purpose of publicizing the Florida Education Fund's program or for any other lawful purpose. In addition, I waive the right to inspect or approve the finished product, including writtin or electronic copy, wherein my likeness appears. Additionally, I waive any right to royalties or other compensation arising or related to the use of the photograph(s).

I hereby hold harmless and release and forever discharge the Florida Education Fund from all claims, demands, and causes of action which I, my heirs, representatives, executor, administrators, or any other person acting on my behalf or on behalf of my estate have or may have by reason of this authorization.

Printed name of person whose likeness appears in the photograph(s):

X _____

I am 21 years of age and am competent to contract in my own name. I have read this release before signing below and I fully understand the contents, meaning, and impact of this release

(Signature)

(Date)

NOTE: If the person whose likeness appears in the photograph(s) is under age 21, there must be consent by a parent or a guardian, as follow:

I hereby certify that I am the parent or guardian of _____, named above, and do hereby give my consent without reservation to the foregoing on behalf of this person.

(Parent/Guardian's Signature)

(Parent/Guardian's Printed Name)

(Date)

National Achievers Society Laws of Life Essay



The Laws of Life are core values and ideals by which we live. Honesty, perseverance, and Golden Rule all are examples of these universal “laws” that transcend religions, cultures, and national borders.

To be eligible for induction into the National Achievers Society (NAS) a potential inductee must complete and submit a 250-word (maximum) Laws of Life Essay. The laws of Life Essay requirement offer a potential NAS member the opportunity to think about and communicate the principles that guide his or her life.

As you write your Essay, please select the quotation below that expresses a key value and/or ideal by which you live. Then explain why the chosen value/ideal is important to the way you live your life by discussing your experiences, lessons learned, and people who have served as living examples of your chosen value/ideal.

In a world filled with hate, we must still dare to hope. In a world filled with anger, we must still dare to comfort. In a world filled with despair, we must still dare to dream. And in a world filled with distrust, we must still dare to believe. –Michael Jackson

The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy. –Martin Luther King

Education is the most powerful weapon you can use to change the world. –Nelson Mandela

You can't let your failures define you. You have to let your failures teach you. –President of the United States of America, Barack Obama.

Education is our passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to the people who prepare for it today.

–Malcolm X

Education must not only simply teach – it must teach life. –W.E.B. Dubois

Nothing ever comes to one that is worth having, except as a result of hard work. –Booker T. Washington

There are still many causes worth sacrificing for, so much history yet to be made. –First Lady Michelle Obama

Please note that the Laws of Life Essay you submit will be forwarded to the Florida Education Fund (FEF), the entity that sponsors Florida's Laws of Life Essay Contest, for consideration for possible prizes as a part of that contest. If you do not want your Essay considered in the Contest, please sign this form below.

I do not want my Essay considered for prizes as part of the FEF's Laws of Life Essay Contest.

(Signature)