

*Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission of Florida, Inc. (MLKCOF)*

*High School Seniors*

*Edna M. Hart Keeper of the Dream Scholarship Award Application*



Completed Application must be submitted by

*November 1, Annually*



## *Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission of Florida, Inc.*

# Edna M. Hart Keeper of the Dream Scholarship Award

## Application Guidelines

- I. This individual award is given by the Board of Directors acting on behalf of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission of Florida, Inc.
- II. This award will be given to the applicant who most effectively demonstrates "Keeping the Dream Alive" in the following ways:
  - A. Citizenship (personal integrity) and Civic Responsibility (community service)
  - B. Write an essay, not to exceed 500 words, on the ideals/principles of Dr. King
  - C. Academic achievement and strength of curriculum
  - D. Creativity and extra-curricular activities (photos, art, music, poetry, theater, crafts, sports etc.)
  - E. Spiritual Development (religious/community involvement)
  - F. Participate in a mandatory interview screening process with the MLK Education Committee
  - G. In person speech and delivery recital
  - H. Applicant's ability to relate to the causes of Dr. King and the historical culture of the people
  - I. Submit resume' with application.
- III. The following items should be included with your application:
  - A. Official sealed high school transcript
  - B. A printable wallet size (black & white or color) photo
  - C. A resume' which includes your education, hobbies, church affiliation, community involvement, extra-curricular activities, career goals, etc.)
  - D. Sign agreement stating winner will fulfill duties to appear and/or participate in required advance-scheduled events (void for all applicants EXCEPT overall scholarship winner).
- IV. Additional items that should be included and considered with your application:
  - A. Copies or photos of high school certificates, awards, plaques, trophies and awards for service
  - B. High school related newspaper articles related to your activities in "Keeping the Dream Alive"
  - C. Documentation of programs in which you have participated during your high school career
  - D. Photos of art, tapes of music, graphics, flyers, etc., created during your high school career
  - E. Letters of commendation and appreciation, received during your high school career, on official letterhead. The documents should pertain to the four elements listed in item II above.
- V. The recipient of the award will be decided by a panel of judges comprised of members of the Edna M. Hart Keeper of the Dream Scholarship Award Committee and the Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission of Florida, Inc. Board of Directors.
- VI. Points will be awarded to applicants based on a spread of 1-5 points per element as named in section II Letters A-G. The interview process will be awarded based on a spread of 1-5 points. Extra points can be awarded to applicants based on a spread of 1-5 points for H. in section II. The applicant with the highest number of points (out of a maximum 41pts) will be the recipient of the award.  
Please note: \*\* All applications must be submitted in a three (3) ring binder/notebook \*\*
- VII. All completed applications must be post marked by November 1, annually to:  
Edna M. Hart Keeper of the Dream Scholarship Committee  
C/o Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission of Florida, Inc.  
1712 NE Waldo Road, Gainesville, Florida 32609  
Or deliver by 5:00 p.m. to: 1712 Waldo Road - Gainesville, FL 32609

\*CONTACT PERIOD = 48-72 hours AFTER application deadline. Each applicant will be contacted a) to Set-up their INTERVIEW appointment AND b) to prepare required items to be submitted at the request of the MLKCOF President.\*

**In case of a tie:** the winner will be determined by the 500-word essay.  
The essay will be reviewed by an independent judge selected by the MLKCOF President.  
All notebooks & applications become the property of MLKCOF and will not be returned to the student.

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Application Form for High School Seniors

1. Applicants Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_
  
2. Currently Enrolled at \_\_\_\_\_
  
3. Name of Parents or Guardians: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_
  
4. Career Goals: \_\_\_\_\_  
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5. In order for your completed application to be considered by the Scholarship Committee, it must adhere to all the Edna M. Hart Keeper of the Dream Scholarship Award Application Guidelines. Your signature below signifies: a) that you understand and agree to the process; b) if selected as the winner, you agree to all scholarship rules, required appearance and speaking duties.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_