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Jamaican Association of Michigan

2016 Scholarship Application

Each year the Jamaican Association of Michigan (JAM) provides scholarships to graduating high school seniors who have been accepted to an institution of higher learning. Scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic performance, community service, and an essay on '*Cultural Awareness*'.

Jamaican Association of Michigan scholarships will be awarded based solely on this application.

JAM applauds each applicant for pursuing his/her dreams and aspirations.

Eligibility:

- Must be High School graduate accepted for enrollment in an undergraduate or vocational program.
- Was not previously awarded a JAM scholarship.
- Has a minimum GPA of 2.5/4.0.
- Is not receiving full funding to pursue an undergraduate or vocational degree.
- Resident of Metropolitan Detroit (Livingston, Oakland, Macomb, Monroe, Washtenaw, Wayne Counties).

Rules & Guidelines:

- **Submit only one application package.**
- No application materials will be returned. **NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE.**
- Application deadline is **July 31, 2016**
- Notification will be made the **Third week of August, 2016**
- To be accepted for judging, an applicant must submit **ALL REQUIRED ITEMS IN ONE PACKAGE** as listed below. All information must be provided in English. Incomplete applications or application packages will be immediately disqualified from judging with no further follow-up. Applications postmarked after **July 31, 2016** will be immediately disqualified from judging with no further follow-up. Letters of recommendation and transcripts may be submitted in individually sealed envelopes with the application package. The following items, in addition to the completed application form, are to be submitted:
 - Provide official copies of all transcripts for the entire high school enrollment. Also, provide official copies of any college transcripts for courses you have taken outside of normal high school curriculum.
 - Provide letter of acceptance to an undergraduate or vocational program.
 - Provide two (2) letters of recommendation:
 - One from an high school teacher and
 - One from a person who has known the applicant for a minimum of two (2) years and who is not a relative or a member of the applicant's family.

All the required items must be mailed in **ONE ENVELOPE OR PACKAGE** postmarked on or before July 31, 2016 Mail to:

Scholarship Selection Committee
Jamaican Association of Michigan
P.O. Box 44593
Detroit, MI 48244

INTERESTS & HOBBIES – Briefly describe any special interests, hobbies, sports or musical accomplishments.

ESSAY – A statement or essay written by the applicant, NO MORE THAN ONE SINGLE SIDED, DOUBLE-SPACED, TYPEWRITTEN PAGE, on one of the following topics:

- 1. What does Cultural Awareness/Diversity mean to you?*
- 2. Where do you see yourself within the next five years after high school?*
- 3. What is the importance of community service?*

CERTIFICATION

I certify that all the information provided is true to the best of my knowledge. I further certify that I am not receiving full financial support to pursue an undergraduate or vocational degree.

Signature

Date