ADVISORS OF AMERICA SCHOLARSHIP

APPLICATION PACKET



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Instructions for the ADVISORS OF AMERICA SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is presented by the Hmong American Education Fund and donated by Mr. Yia Michael Thao, CEO of Advisors of America. The scholarship seeks to financially support <u>one</u> dedicated Hmong-American student in the pursuit of his/her higher educational goals. The successful applicant will be awarded up to \$500 to the choice of his/her college or university. Download this application packet and fill out the form below. All application materials are due by **March 17**, **2017.** Late applications and materials will not be considered. Any hand written application will be disqualified. All application materials must be emailed to: <u>scholarships@thehaef.org</u>. You will be notified of your application status via E-mail by May 31, 2017.

Applicants Must Meet All Criteria Listed

- A U.S. citizen or legal resident alien.
- Will be attending an accredited private/public college or university.
- Any person of Hmong descent pursuing an education to better himself or herself and others.
- Any state resident.
- A high school senior or has earned a high school or GED diploma.
- Has been accepted fulltime to a 2-year or 4-year college/university in the Fall 2017 2018 academic year.
- Has a minimum GPA of 3.0 in a 4.0 scale system.
- Parents are from middle class income.

Scholarship Application Packet, Checklist

- A completed application.
- Essay (1500 words or less).
- Copy of unofficial transcript.
- One letter of recommendation.
- All required application documents should be sent in PDF format via E-mail to scholarships@thehaef.org

A Successful applicant must demonstrate the following

- A commitment to excellent academic achievement.
- A commitment to helping your community.
- Demonstrates financial needs, difficulties or hardships.

Essay: In one essay, 1500 words or less, please answer the following questions

- 1. Tell us about your commitment to education.
- 2. Tell us some of the things you have done to help your community.
- 3. Tell us your needs and how this scholarship can help you.

Additional Requirements

- If the recipient is from Minnesota, he/she is expected to attend the Scholarship Awards Banquet on the first Saturday of August 2017.
- If selected, recipients are expected to submit the documents requested for the Scholarship Awards Banquet (ex. photo, bio, thank you letter to donors).

Successful applicants are required to attend two general academic coaching, and mentoring sessions with HAEF.

These sessions can be done via phone, e-mail or face to face.

(If you have any questions, please email: $\underline{scholarships@thehaef.org}$)



Hmong American Education Fund Scholarship Application

2017 Application (type responses below & e-mail back to scholarships@thehaef.org)

Last Name:	First Name:		Middle:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:		E-Mail:
Gender:	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy):		Race/Ethnicity:
Current Address:			
City:	State:		Zip Code:
Permanent Address (if different from above):			
City:	State:		Zip Code:
Check one of the following: U.S Citizen Legal Alien Resident of U.S. None	Are you current		y in high school or pursuing your GED?
Name of your current School:			Current GPA:
School Address:			
Name of College/University you have been accepted to and/or will be attending:			
Major/Program:			
Degree you are seeking: Associate BA/BS Masters PhD/Doctorate Other:			
What year of schooling are you in: First Year Sophomore Junior Senior			
Will you be a Fulltime Student: Yes No			
Name this HAEF Scholarship are you applying for?			
Have you been awarded other scholarships or financial assistance? (If yes, please list them):			
Print Name:	Signature:		Date:
Disclaimer: By signing this application I understand that the information provided is true to the best of my knowledge. HAEF reserve the right to verify information submitted on the successful candidate's application. In addition, the views and opinions expressed by individuals and/or businesses featured in our scholarships do not necessary represent the views			
of the Hmong American Education Fund.			