

Deadline for Entry: by 5 pm on February 29, 2020

Guideline

Star 105.3, 107.9 The Beat, and Hot 102.7 are proud to honor Black History Month with the 14th Annual Scholarship Essay contest.

This contest is open to all area high school seniors. *Employees of Black Crow Media, affiliated entities, participating sponsors/promotional partners, other radio station employees in the Black Crow Media Group, and the members of their immediate families are ineligible to participate or win.*

This year marks the 150th anniversary of the ratification of the 15th amendment, which declared that the "right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of race, color, or previous condition of servitude." In light of this historical commemoration, the essay topic is as follows:

- It has been 150 years since the US Constitution was amended to protect the right to vote by declaring it illegal to deny such right "on account of race, color, or previous condition of servitude." But it took another 95 years and the passing of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 before the majority of the African Americans in the south were registered to vote. Between 1870 and 1965, what were some of the methods used to circumvent the 15th amendment and suppress the black vote? Did the Voting Rights Act of 1965 completely erase these methods? Is voting today fair to African Americans? Please discuss.**

All essays must be typed and double-spaced with a minimum of 500 words, but not exceeding 1,000 words. No hand-written or late entries will be accepted. **DO NOT PUT YOUR NAME ON THE ENTRY ITSELF.**

Entries must be either uploaded through the websites of Star 105.3, 107.9 The Beat, Hot 102.7, no later than February 28, 2019 at 5 pm. Website addresses are as follows: mystar1053.com, thebeat1079.com, and myhot1027.com. They can also be hand-delivered, stapled to the completed entry form, to the the offices of Black Crow Media, 1711 Ellis Drive, Valdosta, Ga 31601.

Essays will be judged on a blind basis (no names attached) by an independent, objective committee of judges using a predetermined set of criteria. Judging will be completed by March 6, 2020 and finalists will be notified March 9, 2020 and will attend a reception at Black Crow Media on Friday, March 13, 2020 at 2pm, where the winners will be announced.

All high school seniors within a single household are eligible to enter. No purchase necessary. Employees of Black Crow media, affiliated entities, participating sponsors/promotional partners, other radio station employees in the Black Crow Media Group, and the members of their immediate families are eligible to participate, win or judge.

Scholarships will be made payable directly to the college/university student account. Scholarship monies will not be issued to an individual. Essay winner(s) will be required to show photo ID, proof of enrollment and sign a release upon acceptance of scholarship.

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Application

First Name: _____ MI: _____ Last Name: _____

Street Address: _____ Apt: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Email Address: _____

Primary Phone: _____ Secondary Phone: _____

High School: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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