

January 26, 2024

Dear Technician,

The Triangle Society is proud to offer you an opportunity to apply and compete for the first annual Master Chief Vincent Patton Scholarship Award.



Master Chief Patton is a 1972 graduate of Cass Technical High School and was a member of the JROTC program reaching the rank of Cadet Major. He enlisted in the U.S. Coast Guard after graduation and served for 30 years. He became the first African American in U.S. Coast Guard history to reach the senior most rank and leadership position as the Master Chief Petty Officer of the Coast Guard. His successful accomplishments during his military career included earning the nation's highest peacetime award for performance, the Distinguished Service Medal. He also completed all of his college education while on active duty including earning a Doctor of Education degree from the American University, Washington, DC.

It was during his years as a student and JROTC cadet at Cass Tech, which provided the exceptional foundation of determination, dedication and discipline that drove his success both in and out of the military. He learned the fundamentals of the desired need to develop personal core values of "people, passion, and performance" that became his roadmap to focusing on his drive for success. It is for this reason that this scholarship was created to be awarded to stellar students of the JROTC program, to allow them to make their vision become a reality.

The purpose of the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps is "to instill in students the values of citizenship, service to the United States, personal responsibility and a sense of accomplishment in keeping with the cardinal principles of citizenship, service, personal responsibility and a sense of accomplishment, our scholarship contest promotes academic excellence and community service among college bound high school seniors.

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The Triangle Society, Inc. Master Chief Vincent Patton Scholarship Award Application Form

Applicant Contact Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Parent Name(s): _____

Parent contact email & phone: _____

Eligibility Requirements

Must be a current graduating senior at Cass Technical High School in good standing.

Must be a member of the Cass Tech JROTC program

Please answer the following questions in a separate document and attach your essay and a photo for publication to this form. All submissions should be emailed to contact@thetrianglesociety.com

Essay Questions

Students interested in applying for the scholarship award must provide the following (no exceptions) information to the Scholarship Committee by **March 29, 2024**:

This year's topic. The Junior Officers Reserve Training Corp (its role and history) In a paper, 300 to 600 words please address:

1. What are your personal core values (or tenet), and how does it help contribute to your future success?
2. What does leadership mean to you?
3. Explain what mentoring means to you, and give an example of how it has helped you?
4. In conclusion, identify things that you can do in your community to be of service and make a difference to those who will follow.
5. (Citation from a minimum of two sources is required)

The essay should flow with sound ideas and abide by the common principles of composition. We

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want the essays to demonstrate the ability of the student to use research materials and, most importantly, to synthesize those thoughts and findings into an essay that is supported by your research. A guide sheet to assist in establishing your essay is attached as an enclosure.

Declaration and Signature

I hereby declare that the information and answers provided in this application form are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any false or misleading information may result in the disqualification of my application or the revocation of the scholarship award.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

2024 Scholarship Awards

1st place \$1,000.00

2nd place \$750.00

3rd place \$500.00

4th place \$250.00

Scholarship winners to be announced by April 30, 2024, and distributions to winners to be disbursed on June 7, 2024.

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ESSAY GUIDE SHEET
2024 Master Chief Vincent Patton Scholarship Award

1. SUBSTANCE

- i. Relevance to the purpose of the paper.
- ii. Controlling Idea: Unifies all major parts.
- iii. Documentation: Writer provides appropriate credit.
- iv. Logic: Reasoning supports conclusion.

2 ORGANIZATION

- i. Intro:
 1. Statement of the thesis statement: Precise? Complete? Vivid?
 2. Attention step: Creates interest?
 3. Announcement of parts: Reader knows what to expect.
- ii. Main Body/Major Parts:
 1. Major parts: Defined and simple?
 2. Sequencing: Effective for purpose and audience?
 3. Focus: Each part has a subordinate controlling idea.
 4. Transitions: Between parts? Between sentences?
- iii. Conclusion:
 1. Restatement of controlling idea?
 2. Closing: in concert with introduction? No new information?

3 STYLE

- i. Coherence:
 1. Paragraphs: Unified? Logical flow? Sufficient detail?
 2. Sentences: Sense? Emphasis? Variety?
 3. Words: Precise?
- ii. Efficiency
 1. Paragraphs: Length?
 2. Sentences: Length?
 3. Words: Simple? Brief?
 4. Voice: Active/passive?

4. CORRECTNESS

- i. Grammar
- ii. Spelling
- iii. Punctuation
- iv. Documentation: Consistent throughout the paper

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