

The Hoover Historical Society Scholarship Award Information 2020

The Hoover Historical Society offers an educational scholarship for \$1,000 paid to an accredited two-or four-year college or university for tuition or other expenses. This one-time scholarship furthers our mission of promoting an increased awareness and knowledge of history.

- This collegiate scholarship is awarded to a deserving student at each of the two high schools in Hoover, AL—Hoover High School and Spain Park High School
- Letter describing the scholarship and application is sent to the College Guidance Counselors and Social Studies departments of both HHS and SPHS.
- The manner of selection involves screening by the Social Studies departments at each school, submitted to the guidance counselors, and forwarded to the Hoover Historical Society Scholarship Committee. This committee selects the finalist for each school.
- CRITERIA for selection:
Academic performance;
community service; *e.g.*, involvement in organizations & activities; and
a typed, double-spaced 1,000-word essay-using topic ‘prompts’ on the application.

The essay should include a title or topic; good grammar and spelling; and a citation of sources.

Application must be submitted to the student’s Counselor’s office by Friday, March 20th, 2020.

The HHS Scholarship Committee meets in April to select recipients of the Scholarship Award for this year.

Winners and counselors will be notified of the winner within one week.

Application form and ‘prompts’ attached.

The Hoover Historical Society
Scholarship Award Application
2020

Name: _____

School: _____

GPA: _____ ACT/SAT Score: _____ Class Rank: _____

Community Service: (may attach a resumé listing your work) _____

Where do you plan to attend college*? _____

Accepted at this college or university? _____

What is your planned major (area of study)? _____

Student ID** # _____ (not your SS #)

Your e-mail and home addresses: (print legibly)

For three years, from March 3, 2017, to December 14, 2019, ALABAMA celebrated the people, places, and stories that make the state unique. In a 1,000-word essay, celebrate a person, place, or story that highlights Alabama history using these guidelines: (double space, 12 point font)

- Edwin C. Bridges' new book, *Alabama: The Making of an American State* (2016: The University of Alabama Press), was written to celebrate the bicentennial of our state. The book is divided into several "eras." Select an era and write about one episode in that era or a person featured in the chapter.
- **For the Bicentennial year of 2019, consider:**
In your opinion, what is the most significant event in the 200-year-history of Alabama statehood? Why?

- Research and write about one or more of Alabama's state capitals, using current resources (*e.g.*, *Lost Capitals of Alabama* by Herbert James Lewis or a similar book)
- What is historic preservation and why do we preserve historical sites in our culture? Perhaps you can discuss a preserved site—either in Alabama or in the South—that impressed you or address (both pro and con) recent controversies over some historical monuments.

I give my permission to publish excerpts of my essay and photograph on the HHS Web site and/or Facebook page, newsletter, and/or local publications.

Signature of student: _____

***Scholarship amount is sent directly to the college of your choice; please notify the HHS if your choice changes.**
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****Please provide a recent photo to the HHS via e-mail**