

Denise Foster Mixon
2018 - 2019 Youth Advocacy Scholarship

Denise Foster Mixon was a true youth advocate and educator. A graduate of Delaware State University and Widener University she valued education and worked hard at affecting the lives of young people. This scholarship is offered to honor her and assist students seeking higher education.

Scholarship Criteria

All applicants must:

- Be a male or female, graduating high school senior and attend a school located in Delaware County.
- Have a grade point average of 2.5 or better on a 4.0 scale.
- Be accepted at an accredited two or four-year college/institute of higher learning. Applications received without college acceptance letters will still be considered for the scholarship.
- Show evidence of involvement in extra-curricular school activities, community and/or church.
- Applicants will be awarded BONUS POINTS for attending one or more of the workshops offered at the College Access Center of Delaware County, Widener University Campus. The College Access Center is located at 400 E. 21st Street Chester, PA 19013. Phone 610-499-1390. Workshop titles, dates and times are available at info@collegeaccessdelco.org. Applicants must have the attached attendance sheet signed by one of the presenters upon completion of a workshop.
- Submit a completed application:
 - The completed application **must** be emailed by **March 15, 2019**.
 - Applications received after March 15, 2019 will not be considered.
 - Submit a typed essay of not less than 500 words that answers the essay question on page 3.
 - Submit an official High School transcript that clearly reflects your GPA.

Applications must be submitted electronically by E-Mail to: Jamaal@jamaalbradley.com

NOTE: Submitted materials will not be returned.

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**The application must be typed. The application must be completed in its entirety.
Incomplete applications will not be considered.**

Personal Background Information

Name
Last First MI

Street Address

City State Zip code

Telephone
Area Code – Telephone

Date of Birth

Parent Name(s)

Educational Background Information

Name of High School

Current Course of Study

GPA

Extra-Curricular Activities (includes school and/or community experiences.)

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

Volunteerism

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

Lists the name of the school(s) you are considering attending. Provide a copy of the acceptance letters.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

What major do you plan to declare?

Essay Questions:

Please answer the essay question using the following criteria:

- **12 point Times New Roman**
- **1 inch margins**
- **Double spaced**
- **Not less than 500 words**

Describe your journey to higher education and how your field of study will contribute to your immediate and long term career goals.

Essay Tips

Be sure to:

- Have a title for your essay.
- Use a style and vocabulary that is comfortable for you, but you still need to make sure you are within the bounds of acceptable usage.
- After you have written a first draft, spend time “polishing” your essay.
 - Make verbs strong and active, and make descriptions precise and powerful.
 - Your sentences should be constructed properly and pay attention to the flow of your ideas.
 - Paragraphs need beginnings and endings.
 - Remember to introduce and sum up.
- Indent the first line of every paragraph.
- Check your spelling. Use a dictionary, spell check or a friend.
- Check your punctuation.
- Check your grammar. Do all sentences have a noun and a verb? Is the tense correct?
- Check your capitalization. All proper nouns should be capitalized.
- Proof read your essay to make sure you have answered the question and it makes sense.
- Let someone else read the essay. Ask your English teacher or guidance counselor.

Scholarship Application Checklist

Please be sure the following items are enclosed:

- _____ Complete **typed** application – Have all sections been filled in?
- _____ Essay Question – Did you answer the essay question on page 3?
- _____ Official High School Transcript – Transcript must clearly reflect GPA
- _____ College Acceptance Letter(s) NOTE: Applications received without college acceptance letters will still be considered for the scholarship.