



## **Yazoo Mississippi Delta Levee Board (YMDLB) \$500 Scholarship Qualifications Procedures**

1. Eligible applicants must be bona fide residents of a county served by the YMDLB (counties include: Desoto, Tunica, Coahoma, Quitman, Tallahatchie, Leflore, Sunflower, Humphreys, Holmes and Yazoo).
2. Eligible applicants must be bona fide residents of townships and/or cities located in a county served by the YMDLB.
3. Eligible applicants must be officially enrolled in a public or private school within a township, city or county served by YMDLB.
4. Eligible applicants must be officially designated by his/her attending public or private school as a "senior" and on track to graduate during the conclusion of the spring semester of the academic school year.
5. Eligible applicants must attain at least a 2.5 GPA by the conclusion of the fall semester of an academic school year, and provide at least three (3) letters of reference along with the official application document. Said references must be attained from the following local citizenry:
  - a. Home school administration
  - b. Home school instructor
  - c. Local community resident/leader
6. The application package **must** include the following documents:
  - Essay (300-500 words)
  - Topic: "Yazoo-MS Delta Levee Board, Then and Now: 126 Years of Flood Control"
  - Official school transcript that is properly documented through the conclusion of the fall semester of the applicant's 12th grade or senior year; **any transcript that does not bear the school district's official seal will not qualify.**
  - Each essay entry must include the **last four digits** of the entrant's Social Security number, printed in the upper right-hand corner of each page. It must be the same number as that listed on the entry form. **DO NOT PUT YOUR NAME ON THE ESSAY.**
  - Include two copies of your essay
  - Three (3) letters of reference
  - A fully completed YMDLB scholarship application form (cover page)
  - A self-address envelope (no stamp required)

7. Applications must be received at the YMDLB Essay Competition, P.O. Box 610, Clarksdale, MS 38614, by the designated deadline (**printed on the front page of the application form**). **Any applications received late will not be considered for review by the selection committee.**

Notification of YMDLB scholarship recipients will be officially completed by the second Friday of the month of May. A copy of the award notification will be mailed to both school officials and the home address of the award winners.

Should interested applicants, local residents or school officials see the need for inquiries, please contact Ms. Loris Johnson: Yazoo Mississippi Delta Levee Board

P.O. Box 610  
140 Delta Avenue  
Clarksdale, MS 38614  
(662) 624-4397

School districts located within the 10 counties served by the YMDLB are automatically eligible to extend YMDLB scholarship applications to qualified seniors. However, school districts, which choose to allow individual schools to participate in YMDLB sponsored activities throughout the academic school year, will be designated as priority scholarship applicants and receive special consideration. ANY school senior within the counties served by YMDLB shall have the opportunity to apply for and be awarded scholarships, but are encouraged to participate in YMDLB activities.

**NOTE: \$500 SCHOLARSHIPS WILL BE HONORED ONLY AT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES BASED WITHIN THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI.**

**Students may enter the contest by completing the official entry form and submitting it with two (2) copies of an original essay (300- 500 words)**



**YAZOO MISSISSIPPI DELTA LEVEE BOARD SCHOLARSHIP  
APPLICATION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Last **four** digits of Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Number of words in essay: \_\_\_\_\_

**Note: Please type or write legibly. This is the only sheet your name should appear on.**

**HONORS, ORGANIZATIONS AND COMMUNITY SERVICE**

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Attach on separate sheet if there is not enough space.

**APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN April 26, 2010.**