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To Whom It May Concern:

The Puget Sound Chapter of the Grambling University National Alumni Association will be awarding two $500.00 scholarships to students who plan to attend Grambling State University for the 2016-2017 school years. Applicants must be high school seniors and/or returning students from this area. If you are an interested student, you must meet the following criteria:

**Graduating Seniors**

* Must be a 2016 high school graduate
* Must have a GPA of 2.5 or higher
* Plans to attend Grambling State University
* Must be a resident of the Greater Puget Sound area
* Must have a letter of acceptance from Grambling State University

**Undergraduate / Graduate Students**

* Transferring students
* Returning students
* Newly enrolled students
* Must have a GPA of 2.5 or higher
* Must be a resident of the Greater Puget Sound area
* Must have a letter of acceptance from Grambling State University

The application process is as follows:

**Graduating Seniors** will need to submit the following: a completed application form; a letter of acceptance from Grambling State University; a two-page typed essay on the topic “Why I Chose to Attend a Historically Black University”; two reference letters, one from a teacher or counselor and one from a non-family member; and an official copy of their high school transcript.

**Undergraduate and Graduate Students** will need to submit the following: a completed application form; an official transcript from the last school attended; a two-page typed essay on the topic “What Are Your Current Career Goals and How Do You Plan to Contribute to the Alumni Association Upon Graduation.”

Instructions on returning the packet will be included with the application. The winners will be notified within 30 days of the application deadline. The funds will be awarded upon confirmation of enrollment at Grambling State University.

Application packets will be made available to area high schools, churches, and Grambling State University alumni members. Completed applications must be returned to the committee postmarked no later than **April 30, 2016**.

Sincerely,

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Scholarship Committee Chair

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