

I am a graduating senior at North Pike High School, where I am a member of the Geek Squad, Spanish II club, and a member of the yearbook committee. I am also a member of the Governor's Advocacy for Healthy Teens in Mississippi, the National Society of High School Scholars, and I am a Mississippi's Scholar. I attend Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of Reverend Benton Thompson, where I serve as the choir director for the church. I am also the president of the McComb NAACP Youth Council for two years and I served as the state secretary for the Mississippi NAACP State Youth and College Division for three years. I participate in the Delta Gems, which is a mentoring group sponsored by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Incorporated. After I graduate, I plan on attending Tougaloo College, but as a backup plan I also applied to Jackson State University and Xavier. I plan on getting my Doctorate in psychology and a Bachelors in Fine Arts, and with those degrees I want to start my own psychology practice, as well as, own my own art gallery.

The reason I chose Tougaloo is because it has a wonderful science program, but in order to get my Doctorate I plan on transferring to Xavier in Louisiana. While I am there I want to major in biology during my freshman year and transition into a psychology major throughout the rest of my college experience. Reason is, if I start off with being a biology major I will get more scholarships because biology is a broader field to study in. After I get my doctorate I plan on opening my own practice and pursuing my dream as a doctor.

I think it is extremely important to finish getting an education before going straight into the workforce. Reason being is, in order to substantially understand what you want to be in life, one needs a higher learning in the field he or she plans on working in. I feel as if I am deserving of this scholarship because I am an overall excellent student. I have perfect attendance, I strive to make all A's on my report card and progress report, I am respectful to all my teachers at all

times, and I complete all my work in a timely matter. I have a great personality and I am willing to help other people while they are down. I will need this financial aid to help contribute to my college experience regarding to books, tuition, and class fees.