

2019 Duane L. Ottenstroer Legacy Scholarship

Essay Contest Official Rules and Guidelines

The Florida Prepaid College Foundation is hosting the 2019 Duane L. Ottenstroer Legacy Scholarship essay contest in St. Johns County to honor Mr. Duane L. Ottenstroer and to recognize his outstanding service to the Florida Prepaid College Board, the Florida Prepaid College Foundation and to the state of Florida.

Duane L. Ottenstroer was originally appointed to the Florida Prepaid College Board in 2001 and served as its Chairman from August 2009 through September 2016. He has served on numerous corporate and community boards, continues to be active in higher education policy, and resides in St. Johns County, Florida.

To be eligible for the Duane L. Ottenstroer Legacy scholarship, a student must submit the following items:

1. A completed 'Essay Entry & Parental/Legal Guardian Waiver Form' (located on www.myfloridaprepaid.com/legacyscholarship).
2. A 500 word essay that addresses the following essay prompt: *"The value of public service: How can public service positively affect an individual and their community?"*
3. One letter of recommendation from an educator (teacher/principal/coach) or professional (employer/community organizer) describing why the student is worthy to receive a scholarship and how he/she stands out from his/her peers.
4. A 200 - 250 word personal essay on how they have given back to their community, why the student believes they are deserving of the scholarship, and what their plans are for the future.

A student is eligible if he/she meets the following criteria:

1. A student in grades 9th-12th in a public school located within St. Johns County.
2. A student who is a Florida resident with a valid Social Security number.
3. A student who seeks the opportunity to pursue a college degree.

Other information regarding the scholarship:

1. Each submission must include a completed entry form.
2. The program will be open from January 11 to February 15, 2019.
3. Winner will receive a **2-Year Florida College Plan** scholarship provided by the Stanley G. Tate Florida Prepaid College Foundation.
4. Winner will be recognized at a school or public event.
5. Entry must be submitted online at www.myfloridaprepaid.com/legacyscholarship. **All entries must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. ET, February 15, 2019.**

Contact the Florida Prepaid College Foundation at (850) 922-6740 or Prepaid.Foundation@myfloridaprepaid.com for any questions.

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Essay Entry & Parental/Legal Guardian Waiver Form

Student Name: _____
Grade: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Title of Public Service Essay: _____
Word Count of Public Service Essay: _____
Name of School: _____
Home Mailing Address: _____
City: _____
State / Zip: _____
County: _____
Student Email: _____
Parent / Legal Guardian Name: _____
Parent / Legal Guardian Telephone Number: _____
Parent / Legal Guardian E-mail Address: _____

Entry will only be accepted if this waiver is submitted with the following items:

- 500 Word Essay on "The Value of Public Service: How can public service positively affect an individual and their community?"
- One Letter of Recommendation from an educator or professional
- 250 Word Personal Essay

Release Statement:

As parent or guardian, I acknowledge that my child has written the attached essays, and has followed all the guidelines and regulations. Should he or she win the essay contest, I agree to allow the essays to be distributed publicly. I also understand that if it is discovered my child plagiarized or that the thoughts expressed are not his or her own, the essays will be subject to disqualification. My child is a legal resident of Florida and attends a public high school in St. Johns County, Florida.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Parent/Guardian Name (Print)

Parent/Guardian Telephone Number

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