



2019 SMOFI SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Application Instructions

Complete this application in its **entirety** and **strictly**, as directed. **All items must be submitted electronically, by e-mail—all at one time.**

- Include a color photograph (JPG attachment)—a graduation head shot is preferred—name this JPG file “Photo.”
- Complete **items 1-7** (fillable PDF form).
- Provide responses to **items 8-13**. Title each essay, i.e. “Introduction”, “Manhood”, “Scholarship”, etc. All essays should be word processed, single spaced, using 12-14 point font size. Correct grammar, punctuation, sentence structure and word count is required. Name this PDF file “Essays.”
- Provide FASFA page or current Tax Return, etc.—as requested for **item 14**. Name this PDF file “EFC.”
- Read, sign and include the **Applicant Certification and Photograph Release** (fillable PDF form)—Page 3.
- Submit your high school transcript (**Student Copy Transcript** is sufficient). The transcript must show your cumulative G.P.A. through seven (7) semesters with SAT and/or ACT scores. Name this PDF file “Transcript.”

Use **Attachment Checklist** - Page 2 to insure that all items are included. E-mail the completed application with **ALL** supporting materials to: marvinperry1@comcast.net by **Friday, March 15, 2019**.

Applicant Information (fillable PDF form)

1. _____ Male Female
First Name Middle Initial Last Name

2. _____ () _____
Address City Zip Code County Phone Number

3. _____ U.S. Citizenship Other (specify) _____
E-mail Address

4. _____
Name of High School City County Graduation Date Cumulative GPA

5. College/University you plan to attend _____
Name City/State

6. Anticipated Major _____

7. Parent/Guardian Information

Mother’s Name:			Father’s Name:		
Street Address:			Street Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:	City:	State:	Zip:
Occupation:			Occupation:		
Employer:			Employer:		
Home Phone ()	Work Phone ()		Home Phone ()	Work Phone ()	
Annual Income from all sources* \$ _____			Annual Income from all sources* \$ _____		

* Income verification is required.



8. Write an introductory statement about yourself—tell us who you are. Include family values, short-term goals and where you see yourself in five years. **(350-400 words)**
9. **Manhood** – Give two examples of instances when you took responsibility for your actions **or** give two examples of significant decisions that you made—good or bad. **(200-250 words)**
10. **Scholarship** – What is your career goal? Why have you chosen this field? Explain the process for choosing your college/university for this career. **(200-250 words)**
11. **Perseverance** – Describe, in detail, a significant obstacle in your life that you have had to overcome. **(200-250 words)**
12. **Uplift** – What needs to be done to make life better in the community you live and how do you plan to contribute? **(200-250 words)**
13. **Extracurricular Activities, Honors & Awards, Leadership Positions and Work Experience** – Provide a summary sheet of your extracurricular activities, honors, community service, leadership positions held and/or work experience for the current and previous school year. Include specific details, i.e. organization/activity/honor, date(s), position(s) held, responsibilities, etc.
14. **Financial Need** – Submit the **first page** of the Student Aid Report (SAR) from your completed **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** that shows your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) **or** provide the **first page** of your parent's/guardian's **2018 IRS tax form 1040**. Qualified students with documented financial need will receive the highest funding priority. If applicable, please describe any unusual circumstance(s) creating the basis of your financial need for this scholarship.

E-mail **two (2) Letters of Recommendation**. One (1) from a **school official** and one (1) from a **non-school official/non-family member**. Name this PDF file **“Recommendations”**

Each Letter of Recommendation should include:

- How you know the applicant and the length of time you have known the applicant.
- A description of the applicant's strengths and weaknesses.
- A discussion of why you believe the applicant has the ability to succeed in college/university.
- Recommender Information (**required**) – printed name, signature and contact information.

Attachment Checklist

All items must be e-mailed—**all at one time**. Please verify that you have attached:

- Color Photograph (Graduation head shot is preferred)—JPG file named “Photo”*
- Transcript with SAT and/or ACT scores—**Student Copy**—PDF file named “Transcript”*
- First page of Student Aid Report (SAR) from your FAFSA that shows Expected Family Contribution (EFC) **or** First page of Parent's 2018 IRS tax form 1040—PDF file named “EFC”*
- Completed Application (items 1-7) — fillable PDF form*
- Typed Essays and Supplementary Documents (items 8-13)—PDF file named “Essays”*
- Two (2) Recommendations (school & non-school/non-family)—PDF file named “Recommendations”*
- Signed Applicant Certification and Photograph Release (Page 3) — fillable PDF form*

Application materials must be submitted by E-MAIL ONLY.

E-mail completed application and supporting materials to Mr. Marvin R. Perry;
E-mail: marvinperry1@comcast.net

Application materials must be e-mailed and received by Friday, March 15, 2019.

Questions may be directed to the SMOFI Scholarship Committee Chairman:

Mr. Marvin R. Perry
(734) 216-9522
E-mail: marvinperry1@comcast.net



APPLICANT CERTIFICATION and PHOTOGRAPH RELEASE (Required for all applicants and parents/guardians)

Applicant Certification (fillable PDF form)

- If requested, I agree to be available to participate in an interview with the Scholarship Committee.
- As part of this application, I authorize school personnel and/or other individuals to provide data or information about me directly to the Southeast Michigan Omega Foundation, Inc. and to waive the right to review any such submissions.
- I understand that falsification of information may result in termination of the granted scholarship and result in having to return any disbursed scholarship funds.
- I understand that I may be asked to verify any income information, provided in this application.
- I agree that the Southeast Michigan Omega Foundation, Inc. has permission to use general (non-financial) information provided in this application, for publicity purposes.
- I understand that all information provided in this application will remain in the possession of the Southeast Michigan Omega Foundation, Inc.
- I understand that, if selected, I must provide **proof of enrollment to a 4-year accredited College/University** prior to receiving a scholarship award.
- It is my intent to enroll in and complete a degree program at a 4-year accredited college or university and maintain good academic standing as required by the Southeast Michigan Omega Foundation, Inc. I understand that, if selected, I may be required to maintain a certain G.P.A. to receive ongoing scholarship payments. I will keep the Southeast Michigan Omega Foundation, Inc. informed of my academic status—as requested.
- I understand that, if selected, the scholarship award will be used for college expenses for the 2019/2020 school year.

Photograph Release (fillable PDF form)

I/We, _____ (Parent/Guardian), as parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of (Applicant's Name) _____, give permission for the Southeast Michigan Omega Foundation, Inc. (SMOFI) to publish on the Internet or other media, still photographs or moving images; including if applicable, any sound recordings accompanying the images taken of my child during the SMOFI Scholarship Awards Banquet (and/or image(s) provided in this scholarship application) without payment or any consideration and without notifying me. I/We understand and agree that these images will become the property of SMOFI, which shall have complete ownership of the images. I hereby irrevocably authorize SMOFI to publish and/or distribute these images for the purpose of publicizing scholarship programming and for any other lawful related purpose. In addition, I waive any right to inspect or approve the finished product wherein my child's likeness appears. Additionally, I waive any rights to royalties or other compensation arising out of or related to the use of the images.

By signing below, we read, understand and affirm **all of the information on this page**. We further certify that **all of the information provided in this application** is truthful, accurate and complete to the best of our knowledge.

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Signature

date

Applicant Signature

date