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## Guidance Counselors,

We are writing to inform you of scholarship opportunities for college-bound, high school seniors in the St. Johns, Clay, Putnam, and Flagler County. The Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. sponsors the International High School Essay Contest in conjunction with our Annual Achievement Week Observance. Achievement Week is one of the fraternity's ten Internationally Mandated Programs. It is observed each November and is designed to recognize those individuals at the local and international levels who have contributed to community uplift.

Iota Mu Nu is the chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. that will judge the local contest for your school's participants. Our chapter was chartered January 23, 2015 in St. Johns County, but our reach includes Clay, Putnam, and Flagler. The winner of the local essay contest will be awarded a \$500 scholarship where their essay will be entered at the International level for our fraternity:

The International High School Essay Contest awards four scholarships:

- 1<sup>st</sup> \$5000
- 2<sup>nd</sup> \$3000
- 3<sup>rd</sup> \$2000
- 4<sup>th</sup> \$1000

The local winner and one guest will also be invited to attend our annual Achievement Week Luncheon on Saturday, November  $2^{nd}$ , 2019 where they will be honored. The scholarship will be awarded upon written verification from an institution of higher learning that the individual is enrolled.

The theme for the essay is "The U.S. Census projects that the United States will become a majority-minority country by the year 2045. How can we combat, prevent and/or reduce prejudice, discrimination and violence in a new, more diverse America?" The deadline for the contest is October 18, 2019. The official rules are attached.

We request that you forward this opportunity to your college-bound, high school seniors. Please forward any questions and essays to <a href="mailto:QuadCountyOues@gmail.com">QuadCountyOues@gmail.com</a>, and in the subject line type, "Essay Contest 2019".

Sincerely,

Brother Derrick Hamilton Essay Contest Chairman