**The 2017-2018 Patriot Scholarships**

*Sponsored by the Pinecrest PTSA*

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for applying for the Patriot Scholarships, which are sponsored by the Pinecrest

Parent-Teacher-Student Association. Each year, three scholarships are awarded to graduating seniors who hold PTSA membership and who have demonstrated a personal commitment to their success both inside and outside of the classroom. Additionally, to be considered eligible for a Patriot Scholarship, students must have made plans for continuing their education in any post-secondary program, which includes technical school, trade school, community college, or university.

This application packet includes several important items. The Application and Guidelines Form includes specific guidelines that must be read carefully. It also includes the items you must compile and submit to the committee for judging such as a synopsis of your activities, a personal statement, an essay, your official high school transcript, and two letters of recommendation from adults *outside* of your family. The Application Checklist should assist you in confirming that you submit a *complete* application. It includes a place for an adult signature, which will encourage you to consult with an adult (parent, mentor, teacher, counselor, coach, friend) who may assist you in this process.

In addition to a parent, family member, adult mentor, teacher, coach and/or school counselor, there are websites you may consider accessing in order to guide you through this application process. A few sites to consider are: www.cfnc.org or www.collegeboard.com. Should *any* part of this application process need clarification, or should any aspect of it be a challenge to you, do not hesitate to contact your school counselor and/or a member of the PTSA Board. It is our hope that we receive a multitude of applications and that they reflect a great variety of individuals.

Completed applications are due and must be postmarked by March 31, 2018.

Applications should be mailed to the address found on the Application and Guidelines

Form.

Good luck to each of you!

Pinecrest 2017-2018 PTSA Patriot Scholarships Committee

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