

Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc

The Northeastern Province

2019 New York Alumni Chapter

Student of the Year Competition Application

(For High School Applicants)



Competition will be held on Saturday, January 26, 2019 at 1:00pm at
Salem United Methodist Church, Harlem NY

Please read all pages thoroughly before filling it out

Completed Applications must be returned by December 18th, 2018 to:

Russell Morgan, Jr., Director of Student of the Year Competition

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Or

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Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.
Guidelines for the Student of the Year Competition
Qualifications:

High School Students:

Must be a Male who is a senior with a grade point average of at least a 2.5 on a 4.0 scale and will graduate in the spring or summer of the current school year. They must also exhibit their skills and abilities.

Juniors must have a grade point average of at least a 2.5 on a 4.0 scale and exhibit their skills and abilities.

Area to be Judged:

1. *Talent* – Verbal, musical and visual presentations that will exhibit the skills and abilities of the contestant.
2. *Poise* – Introduce self and give a brief statement of his philosophy of life.
3. *Scholarship* – Grade point average will be verified by official transcript.
4. *Awareness* – Awareness of events in all aspects of life, politics, education, world affairs, etc.
5. *Career Preparation* – A written profile of candidate's career choice.
6. *School/Community Activities* – participation of school and community activities, organizational memberships, offices held, etc.
7. *Letters of Recommendation* – Provided letter(s) of recommendation. from Instructors and or Community Supporters.

Profile of Career Choice Format

OUTLINE *(must be submitted in narrative form)*

I. Career Aspiration(s)

- a. Name it
- b. Brief description
- c. Why did you choose it?
- d. What do you propose to accomplish in this field?

II. Requirements necessary to satisfy career choice

- a. Academics
- b. Practical Experience

III. Post High School educational preparation

- a. What institution will you attend? Why?
- b. What preparation have you made toward this phase of your education?
- c. Are your parents aware of your plans? Do they concur with your plans? If not, explain?

IV. Academic Achievement

- a. Indicate courses that you have taken that are relevant to career choice and comment on your achievement in those courses
- b. Indicate any advance courses you may have taken
- c. List the requirements you do not have and state when you propose to acquire them.

V. Summary

1. Community Activities:

2. School Activities, memberships and positions held:

Talent Data Sheet (all applicants)

Name:

Home Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Type of Presentation: (i.e. art display, vocal solo, dramatic reading, etc.)

The contestant must furnish musical instruments and material, except for a piano, if required. Only a piano accompanist will be provided, if requested in advance. Talent presentations must be limited to four (4) minutes.

Check the Correct Response:

I will need a piano.

Yes _____

No _____

I will need an accompanist

Yes _____

No _____

I will need a CD player amplified sound Yes _____

No _____

Transcript Request:

All applicants

_____, is a candidate for the New York Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Student of the Year Competition. A copy of his transcript to date is required to evaluate his academic work for the Scholarship Award.

Please submit along with application:

_____ Director, Student of the Year Competition

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (H) _____ (C) _____

Email: _____

Please return by:

Parent Signature:

Date:

Guidance Counselor's Signature:

Date:

Student of the Year Competition Instructions to the Judges

Review the competition rules. Review the information submitted by the contestants. If there are questions, the Guide Right Chairman Russell Morgan, Jr. will be available for assistance.

There are six (6) areas that will be judged. Each Judge will score each contestant between one (1) to five (5) points in each area. The maximum number of points any contestant can receive from one Judge is thirty (30).

The areas of talent and poise/appearance are the only areas of the contest that the audience (public) will witness. Once the other four areas have been judged, the Judges will add their scores together. The contestant with the highest number of points will be declared the winner. In the events of a tie, the Judges will evaluate the contestants and decide upon a winner.

Areas to be Judged:

Scholarship – This area is based on the GPA of the contestant. Points have been determined as follows:

- a. 5 points 4.0 – 3.5
- b. 4 points 3.4 – 3.1
- c. 3 points 3.0 – 2.6
- d. 2 points 2.5

Awareness – During the interview with the contestant, determine if he is informed about those areas pre-selected, an entering college should be aware of. Measure his awareness, thoughts and concerns of his age and ethnic group, as well his career goal (s).

Career Preparations – Refer to the format that was provided to the contestant and determine whether or not he followed the format; is the information logical, is his writing grammatically correct and is it clearly stated.

Community/School Involvement – what extent did the contestant take part in stated activities, are they varied, and did student have a leadership role(s) in areas of involvement.

Talent – Verbal, musical, and visual presentations are limited to 3 to 4 minutes. In judging this area, you should consider the appropriateness, the appeal, and the effect of the presentation. Also, determine if eye contact was made with audience, if gestures were made, if the contestant was skillful and if the presentation was good.

Poise and Appearance – The contestant will appear before the audience and give his name, school, career choice and a brief philosophical statement. Rate the contestant based upon his poise, self-confidence, articulation, personality, appearance, gestures and sincerity.

Data Sheet

➤ PERSONAL:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Apt. _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email address: _____

Parents Name: _____ Email address: _____

Number of Brothers/Sisters: _____

➤ ACADEMIC:

High School: _____ Classification: _____

Most enjoyable courses: _____

Honors and awards: _____

➤ CAREER CHOICE:

What college would you like to attend? _____

➤ HOBBIES & INTERESTS:

➤ **EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE:**

➤ **Other significant information:**

Student of the Year Rubric					
CATEGORY	INSTRUCTIONS	Up to 5 Points	Up to 5 Points	Up to 5 Points	TOTAL POINTS (Max 15 points)
Grade Point Average on 4.0 scale *Certified Transcript required	Check all that apply and award 5 points	GPA is between 2.5-2.9 or higher. (5 Points)	GPA is between 3.0-3.5 or higher (5 Points)	GPA is between 3.6-4.0 (5 Points)	
School Involvement	Add one point for each	School activity (max: 5 points)	Community (non-school related) activity (max: 5 points)	Career/academic development activity or national honors society (max: 5 points)	
Honors, Awards, and Scholarship	Add one point for each. <i>Documentation must be provided.</i>	Local award/honor (max: 5 points)	Regional award/honor (max: 5 points)	National award/honor or college scholarship (max: 5 points)	
Community Involvement	Add one point for each	Local community organization (max: 5 points)	Regional non-school related affiliation (max: 5 points)	National non-school related affiliation (max: 5 points)	

Leadership	Add one point for each	Committee or non-executive position held (max: 5 points)	Executive position or its equivalent held (max: 5 points)	Leadership position held in any national organizations/honors societies (max: 5 points)	
Career Preparation	Award up to 5 points for each of the 3 categories	Biographical sketch	Clarity of career goals/plans	Description of personal quality and impact on community	
Recommendation Letters	Award 3 points for completed/signed recommendation (<i>recommender must select moderately recommend or better</i>). Add 2 points if recommendation letter is attached	<i>Instructor:</i>	<i>Community Supporter:</i>	<i>Community Supporter:</i>	

Student of the Year Rubric (Talent/Interview)

CATEGORY	INSTRUCTIONS	Up to 5 Points	Up to 5 Points	Up to 5 Points	TOTAL POINTS (Max 15 points)
Interview (Awareness)	Award up to 5 points for each of the 3 categories	Overall knowledge as it pertains to current academic status and career goals	Overall knowledge of local, regional, and national events	Overall knowledge of International events	
Poise	Award up to 5 points for each of the 3 categories	Overall appearance (i.e. appropriateness of attire, etc.)	Overall demeanor	Communicatory skills	

Talent	Award up to 5 points for each of the 3 categories	Stage Presence	Skillfulness and execution	Overall presentation	
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