



SABR 2024- The Robert Peterson Scholarship
Administered by the Society for American Baseball Research (SABR)

Below are instructions for the Robert Peterson essay-writing contest.

There will be one **\$1,000** scholarship awarded from SABR.

THE NEGRO LEAGUES COMMITTEE (NLC) of the SOCIETY FOR AMERICAN BASEBALL RESEARCH (SABR) is pleased to announce their 2024 essay-writing contest for high school seniors. SABR is a global team of almost 7200 individuals and over 30 research committees. The NLC is the only one of SABR's committees dedicated exclusively to the history of black baseball. Each year the NLC hosts a JERRY MALLOY NEGRO LEAGUE CONFERENCE. Some initiatives of the conference include: donations of books to local schools and/or libraries, raising funds for headstones of unmarked graves and the awarding of scholarships.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

1. Current high school senior (any high school eligible).
2. Anticipating completion of high school diploma at the time of application.
3. Planning to pursue a degree at an accredited U.S. post-secondary institution.
4. Carrying a minimum 2.5 GPA at the end of their junior year of high school.

SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS:

1. Application must be completed in full.
2. Your essay must be attached to your application.
3. Your submission must include a letter of recommendation from a high school teacher, guidance counselor or a school administrator, confirming graduation and GPA.

The Scholarship Committee of the *Jerry Malloy Negro League Committee* will review all the applications and make ONE selection. The scholarship winners will be notified by July 15, 2024.

Students can only receive one SABR Scholarship.



Deadline: April 15, 2024

Student Name: _____

Mailing address: _____

E-mail address: _____

Phone number: _____

High School Principal: _____

High School: _____

High School Address: _____

Current Cumulative GPA: _____

On a separate sheet of paper, in the order of importance, list high school activities you have been involved in, and any offices held (student government, sports, music, service activities, etc.). On a separate sheet of paper, in the order of importance, list any community/church activities you have been involved in and any offices held. Do not repeat items previously listed. Lists should be typed not handwritten.

Please write an essay of 1,200 words or less, to answer the following question:

“Why is Robert Peterson important to both the history of the Negro Leagues and American history?”

Style Guidelines: Essays should be typed, double-spaced and use 12 point font, Times New Roman. Cite examples and references using the format you have been taught. Failure to cite references will result in disqualification of application.

Please mail or email: 1) completed application, 2) a letter of recommendation from a high school teacher, guidance counselor, or school administrator, 3) lists of high school & community activities, and 4) the 1,200 word essay.

All applications must be emailed or postmarked no later than April 15, 2024 and sent to: Dr. Leslie Heaphy - Kent State University at Stark Campus
6000 Frank Rd. North Canton, OH 44720 or Lheaphy@kent.edu 330-244-3304

Good luck and thank you for your interest.

We look forward to receiving your application and reading your essay about author Robert Peterson.

