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GATHERING OF EAGLES AY24 AFROTC SCHOLARSHIP

1.0 Overview: Gathering of Eagles (GOE) is a student elective at Air Command and Staff College (ACSC), Air University, Maxwell AFB, AL. Select students attending ACSC are chosen to participate in the elective. The GOE Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that honors men and women who have made enduring contributions to air, space and cyber operations throughout history and provides community outreach and scholarship opportunities to students across the Alabama River Region. GOE members are also board members for the Foundation. The GOE Capstone Week culminates a year of hard work, events and programs implemented by the GOE, and provides a forum for ACSC students to pay homage to men and women who have made significant contributions to air, space, and cyberspace. This year, during the GOE Capstone week (6-10 May 2024), GOE will honor 8 Eagles to commemorate uniquely outstanding airpower contributions. Additionally, the GOE Foundation will present scholarships to Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFROTC) cadets to help support and encourage completion of their education and subsequent commission as a future leader in the Air Force.

2.0 Scholarships: The GOE Foundation will award two **\$1,000** scholarships to AFROTC cadets in Academic Year (AY) 2024. The winners will also be given the exclusive opportunity to participate in the GOE Capstone events the week of 6-10 May 2024 at Maxwell AFB, AL. Participation includes shadowing GOE students and assisting with logistical support. Participants will have the opportunity to attend the Eagles' lecture series and select social events, which will allow for interaction with past, present, and future air and space power leaders. Transportation and meal costs will be covered for the award winners. .

3.0 Eligibility: AFROTC cadets in their Freshman, Sophomore, or Junior year enrolled in any of the **Alabama AFROTC Detachments** can apply. Cadets must have a minimum 3.0 GPA and must *not* have been awarded a full ROTC scholarship for the upcoming academic year.

4.0 Nomination Process: Applicants will submit application packages in accordance with the below guidelines. Nominations must be submitted by the Detachment Professor of Aerospace Studies (PAS), or respective functional administrative section, and are due to the Gathering of Eagles (GOE) Foundation no later than **Friday, 29 March 2024**.

4.1 Student Essay: Applicants must submit a three-page (maximum) essay in response to the following prompt: *“How do you see your generation shaping the future of air, space, and cyberspace, and what role do you want to have in that?”*

4.2 Format: Three-page (maximum) double-spaced essay with 1-inch margins. Use Times New Roman 12-point font for all text. Please include footers with your name and page number. For example: “Caitlin T. Reilly, pg 1 of 1”

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4.3 Applicant Biography: Each applicant must complete and submit a one-page biography which does not count against the three-page essay limit. The format for the student biography can be found in Attachment 1.

4.4 Letter of Recommendation: Applicants must submit one letter of recommendation from any of the following individuals: ROTC leadership, teacher, counselor, or extracurricular activity leader.

4.5 Submission instructions: Documents should be consolidated into one PDF file in the order listed and submitted via email by the Detachment PAS or respective functional section. Applications must be emailed to acscgoe@goefoundation.org no later than **Friday, 29 March 2024.**

5.0 Selection: Each AFROTC Detachment PAS, or respective functional administrative section, may submit no more than **two (2)** cadet nominations to the GOE Foundation (suspense and point of contact in paragraph 4.5). The GOE Foundation will notify the winners via e-mail, no later than **Thursday, 11 April 2024.**

6.0 Presentation of the Award: Scholarship winners will arrive at Maxwell AFB, AL on **Sunday, 5 May 2024 and depart Friday, 10 May 2024.** In addition to the monetary award, scholarship winners will also receive a GOEF polo shirt to be worn with slacks during Capstone week. For the scholarship presentation, students must be in the Service Dress uniform. Additional information regarding lodging and transportation will be communicated to the selected scholarship recipients.

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Attachment 1 Student Biography

Rank and Name
School, State
Class of 20XX
Major, GPA

AFROTC DETACHMENT:

(Detachment) Commander's Rank and Name

(Detachment) Commander's Email Address (Detachment) Address and Phone Number

FITNESS TEST SCORES:

Physical Fitness Test Score:

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:

Enter your extracurricular academic, athletic, and community service activities here. Also, if you are a member of any professional societies, list them here.

AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS:

Include AFROTC, academic, athletic and community awards and achievements in this section. If you have prior military service, also include your decorations.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Your biography should be one page maximum