



Palm Beach Harbor Pilots Association Minority Scholarship Program

Each year, the Palm Beach Harbor Pilots Association identifies one minority student living in Palm Beach County who shows enthusiasm and aptitude for a possible career as a Harbor Pilot. The student must be enrolled or accepted to one of the six maritime universities nationwide. Each recipient will be awarded a one thousand dollar (\$1,000) scholarship. If the student is currently enrolled in one of the maritime universities, an additional five hundred (\$500) may be awarded towards travel and lodging for an internship with the Palm Beach Pilots where he or she will experience hands-on training and exposure to all aspects of becoming a Harbor Pilot in the State of Florida.

To qualify for this scholarship, the successful candidate must satisfy the following criteria:

- **Must be of Minority Pursuant to s.288.703(3), Florida Statutes (2007):**
 - (a) An African American, a person having origins in any of the racial groups of the African Diaspora.
 - (b) A Hispanic American, a person of Spanish or Portuguese culture with origins in Spain, Portugal, Mexico, South America, Central America, or the Caribbean, regardless of race.
 - (c) An Asian American, a person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian Subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands, including the Hawaiian Islands prior to 1778.
 - (d) a Native American, a person who has origins in any of the Indian Tribes of North America prior to 1835, upon presentation of proper documentation thereof as established by rule of the Department of Management Services.
 - (e) An American woman.
- **Must be enrolled in one of the six following maritime academies:**
Massachusetts Maritime Academy, Marine Maritime Academy, S.U.N.Y. Maritime College, The California Maritime Academy, Texas A&M Maritime Division, and the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy.
- **Planning to pursue a career as a state harbor pilot, preferably in the State of Florida.**
- **Write a 300 word essay explaining "Harbor Pilots' Role In the Shipping Industry".**

One scholarship will be awarded in December. For further information or application form, please contact the Palm Beach Pilot Office at (561) 845-2628 or email PBPILOTS@AOL.COM. The Essay, 2 forms of identification, and an acceptance or enrollment letter from one of the six maritime schools must be submitted to:

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