



## Black Dragons Motorcycle Club Annual Book Stipend Competition

The Black Dragons Motorcycle Club was established in 1955. The motivation behind the club's establishment was to form an organization consisting of men and women who truly had a passion and love for riding. The club's foundation is built on brotherhood and loyalty to the club as well as the community and its members. Even though the Black Dragons are in fact a "Motorcycle Club", in reality we are much more than that. We are a club built on fellowship, family, and community. We are an organization made up of members that do much more than just ride motorcycles. We are dedicated fathers and mothers, retirees after long distinguished careers, professional welders, city workers, active and veteran military service men and women, dedicated factory workers, and college graduates, among other things. We all believe that education is very important.

We are proud to announce the first Black Dragons Motorcycle Club Annual Book Stipend Competition. We invite all Marion High School Seniors to participate in the competition. The winner will be presented with a \$500 book stipend and recognized at the Marion High School graduation ceremony practice.

To be eligible for the contest students must meet **ALL** of the following requirements:

- Be a current Marion High School Senior
- Be eligible to graduate
- Plan to attend an accredited college, trade school, or enter the military
- Participate in at least three community service activities during their Senior year (which include but, are not limited to volunteering at local shelters, community cleanup activities, participating in food drives, providing for the needy, assisting the elderly, contributing to a charity, collecting and donating clothing, tutoring children at after school programs, involvement in youth programs, etc.)
- Have a completed application package turned in by the due date of April 2, 2018 @ 4:00 p.m. Only **COMPLETED** applications will be considered.

All packages **MUST** include the following items to be considered complete:

- Completed Annual Book Stipend Competition Application
- An essay of 300-word minimum including a description yourself and of the community service activities you were involved in, what you learned from your experiences, and a description of the impact and changes it has made in your life and the lives of others. Essays will be judged on content, community involvement, creativity, spelling, and sentence structure. All community service activities as well as student's intent to attend college, trade school, or join the military **MUST** be validated by the student's guidance counselor using the attached application form.
- Recommendations on what they think can be done to improve the youth experience growing up in Marion, Indiana. Recommendations are separate from and should not be included in the essay. All recommendations will be given to the Mayor of Marion so that they may be given the opportunity to hear the voices of our youth in hopes to bring forth change that will enhance our young residents lives growing up in this community.
- Be in a folder with the student's name on the front as well as on each page of its contents.

**\*\*\* ONCE AGAIN, ONLY COMPLETED PACKAGES WILL BE CONSIDERED\*\*\***

Completed packages will be accepted by Mrs. Owensby in Room #234 @ Marion High School until 4:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. The due date is April 2, 2018, cutoff time will be 4:00p.m. on that date. No packages will be accepted after that time.

**Good luck to all participants!!!**



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**Application**

1. Students Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name of Guidance Counselor: \_\_\_\_\_

3. GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Are you eligible to graduate with the class of 2018? Yes / No

5. What are your plans after graduation?

Attend an accredited college       Attend a trade school       Enter the military

\*Please attach a list of all colleges, trade schools, or military branches applied to.\*

6. Community Service activities (at least three):

Student's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

-----To be completed by guidance counselor-----

I, \_\_\_\_\_, guidance counselor for Marion High School validate that the  
aforementioned student's information is accurate to the best of my knowledge, that this packet is  
complete, and that this student should be considered for the Black Dragons Motorcycle Club Annual  
Book Stipend of \$500.

Guidance Counselor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_