

The Scholarship Fund for Inner-City Children  
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February 1, 2017

Dear Principal,

The Scholarship Fund for Inner-City Children (SFIC) is pleased to announce that a generous donor family has recently established a partial scholarship for a student of Puerto Rican descent -who has not previously been enrolled at a parochial school.

*The Morgan Delaney Scholarship for Puerto Rican Heritage* is a six (6) year commitment which will provide \$2,000.00 in scholarship assistance for grades 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> (each). When the child enrolls at one of our parochial high schools, their scholarship assistance will increase to \$4,000.00 for grades 9-12 (each).

The philanthropic intent of the Donor is to lend a helping hand to a family-in-need who has wanted (or wants) their child to receive the benefits of a quality, values-based education at one of our fine parochial schools, however, has lacked (or lacks) the resources to do so. The Donor family believes students – especially in today's inner-city environment, face many challenges in their early teen years and wants to positively impact the life of a qualified student.

In order to be considered, your child/student must:

1. Apply online at [www.SFICNJ.org](http://www.SFICNJ.org)
2. Meet any and all qualifications as defined by The Scholarship Fund for Inner-City Children during the application process; and each subsequent year thereafter.
3. Be of Puerto Rican descent and entering the 7<sup>th</sup> Grade in **September 2017**
4. Have not previously been enrolled at a parochial school;
5. Submit the attached coversheet accompanied by a typed, two-page essay\* titled, "*My Family's Experience as Puerto Ricans in the United States.*" \*see essay details on cover sheet.

The coversheet and essay are due in our office on or before *April 1, 2017*. If the child is selected, *The Morgan Delaney Scholarship for Puerto Rican Heritage* will replace any scholarship assistance being sought from SFIC. If the child is not selected their application will continue to be processed according to SFIC guidelines.

Please contact our office at (973) 497-4279 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gerard T. O'Connor".

Gerard T. O'Connor  
Executive Director

Enclosure



*"Changing Lives Through the Gift of Education"*

## The Morgan Delaney Scholarship for Puerto Rican Heritage Coversheet

Parent / Guardian Information: *Please Print*

Name:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Phone: <i>Home</i> :		
Cell:	Work:	
Parent's Email:		

Student Information:

Student Name:	Grade Entering in September 2017:
School Currently Attending:	
Parochial School of Choice for September 2017: (Name/City)	

### *"My Family's Experience as Puerto Ricans in the United States"*

**Essay Details:** The essay should encompass the following material:

- *My family's journey to The United States from Puerto Rico. Why they/we came to The United States and what were their/our expectations/aspirations.*
- *Customs and traditions my family brought with them to The United States and how they have helped shape my Puerto Rican identity.*
- *Why it is important to preserve my Puerto Rican heritage.*
- *My family's Puerto Rican experience living in the United States.*
- *Things I would like to do one day to help the Puerto Rican community.*

### **Important**

***In order to submit essay, you must have first applied on-line at [www.SFICNJ.org](http://www.SFICNJ.org)***

***Completed essay along with this coversheet must be submitted to SFIC no later than April 1, 2017***

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