November 6, 2020

Dear **METRO-ATLANTA AREA HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELORS:**

The Princeton Club of Georgia welcomes nominations for the 2020 PCGA Community Service Award. Established in 1985 by the Princeton Club of Georgia, the Community Service Award honors Metro-Atlanta-area high school juniors who, through community involvement and personal initiative, best exemplify the unofficial motto of Princeton University:

“*Princeton in the nation’s service and the service of humanity*”.

Enclosed you will find the 2020 Community Service Award nomination application. Each school is invited to nominate up to three students. The Princeton Club of Georgia is pleased to announce that students honored with the Community Service Award will be recognized at a special award ceremony at the State Capitol.

All nominations should be **emailed or post-marked by** **Friday, December 18, 2020**.

We have also included at the end of this application a brief explanation of how the Award differs from another Princeton Club-supported award, the *Princeton Prize in Race Relations*.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact any of the following CSA Co-Chairs.

Sincerely,

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**INSTRUCTIONS**

The enclosed **NOMINATION FORM**, student’s **PERSONAL STATEMENT** and **no more than two** **LETTERS OF** **RECOMMENDATION** should be submitted together **by the nominating school** by one of the following methods by **Friday, December 18, 2020**:

1. ***Preferred Method***: Complete the application using the fillable PDF format, available on the Princeton Club website ([www.princetonclubofgeorgia.com](http://www.princetonclubofgeorgia.com)), and email the completed application and all related materials to the CSA Committee: justinim@yahoo.com, christina.e.bortz@gmail.com, lizzie\_brenkus@me.com, and j.a.a.taylor@gmail.com; ***or***
2. *Alternatively*: Submit the completed application via regular mail (**postmarked no later than** **Friday, December 18, 2020**)**,** to the following address:

Justin Im

PCGA CSA Committee

1052 Moores Walk Lane

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**Each school may nominate no more than three students.**

For additional information please refer to our website: [www.princetonclubofgeorgia.com](http://www.princetonclubofgeorgia.com).

**APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

**🞎 Nomination Form (to be completed by school)**

**🞎 Personal Statement (to be completed by student)**

**🞎 Letters of Recommendation (no more than two)**

**NOMINATION FORM**

**A. CERTIFICATION**

Nominees should be current members of the junior class in good academic standing. Nominations should be approved by the Principal/Headmaster or by the primary guidance counselor for the junior class.

**NOMINEE/STUDENT’S NAME:**

**NOMINATED BY:**

**SCHOOL NAME:**

**SCHOOL CONTACT:**

**PHONE:**

**EMAIL:**

**CERTIFICATION:** By nominating the above named student, I certify that the student is a current member of the junior class in good academic standing.

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **Date:**

**B. NOMINATION LETTER**

Please explain why you are nominating this student for the 2020 Community Service Award. How long and under what circumstances have you known the student? Please comment on the extent of the **student’s commitment to service and community involvement**. Please share any special qualities that you feel set him/her apart. Feel free to use the space provided below or, if you prefer, you may submit your nomination on a separate sheet of paper.

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**PERSONAL STATEMENT**

To be completed by the nominee and returned by the school along with the **NOMINATION FORM** prepared by the school.

**NAME:**

**ADDRESS:**

**EMAIL:**

**PHONE:**

**SCHOOL:**

**A. VOLUNTEER/COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

Please list the community service activities in which you are involved. Please indicate any leadership positions you hold within the organization and the number of hours you volunteer with the respective organizations. Additional activities may be listed on a separate sheet; however, you should present the activities that impact you the most and the activities in which you have the most substantial involvement.

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**Position/Type of work:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**B. ESSAY**

On a separate sheet of paper, please describe your major community service projects in essay form. In your essay, you may discuss the reasons behind your decisions to become involved in volunteering, the specific roles or responsibilities you have assumed, the results of your work, personal traits or characteristics that you feel have contributed to your involvement and success in serving others, and important lessons you have learned through your experiences. There is no word limit, although most responses in the past have been approximately one to two pages.

**C. CERTIFICATION**

Your signature represents your promise that your statements and essay are truthful and solely your own work.

Printed Name

Signature of Student

Please return the completed **PERSONAL STATEMENT** form to your counselor so that your application can be submitted by email or regular mail (post-marked) by no later than **Friday, December 18, 2020**.

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**LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION**

Nominee must submit **no more than two** letters of recommendation. When you submit letters of recommendation, please ask the person to limit his/her recommendation to **one page**. Letters of recommendation should focus on the **student’s commitment to service and community involvement**.

It is the nominee’s responsibility to ensure that the letters are given to the counselor in time to be included in the submission of all other application materials.

**2020 PRINCETON CLUB AWARDS FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS**

The Princeton Club of Georgia is proud to support two separate awards to recognize meaningful volunteer efforts by outstanding high school students in Georgia. Eligible students may apply for both awards. The following table outlines the key award criteria and eligibility for each honor.

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|  | **Princeton Prize in** **Race Relations** | **PCGA****Community Service Award** |
| ***Awarded for*** | Promotion of harmony, understanding and respect among people of different races by identifying and recognizing high school age students whose efforts have had a significant, positive effect on race relations in their schools or communities | Demonstrated community involvement and personal initiative that exemplify Princeton’s unofficial motto: “Princeton in the nation’s service and the service of humanity” |
| ***Eligibility*** | 9th – 12th Grade StudentsAll Georgia High Schools | 11th Grade Students Enrolled in Metro-Atlanta area public schools (including Clayton, Cobb, DeKalb, Fulton and Gwinnett Counties and Atlanta City Public Schools) and private schools |
| ***Application Deadline*** | January 31, 2021 | December 18, 2020 |
| ***Recognition*** | Award (plus $1000 First Prize)Ceremony for First Prize Winner: National Princeton Prize in Race Relations Symposium in Spring, either virtually or at Princeton (expenses-paid trip) | Award and Ceremony, either virtually or at the State Capitol |
| ***Presenting Organization*** | Alumni Association of Princeton University & Princeton Club of Georgia | Princeton Club of Georgia |
| ***For More Information*** | [www.princeton.edu/pprize/](http://www.princeton.edu/pprize/) | [www.princetonclubofgeorgia.com](http://www.princetonclubofgeorgia.com) |
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