

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Incorporated
Xi Phi Chapter, New York City
In Conjunction With
Community Uplift Through Perseverance, Inc.
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(C.U.P.)
Presents...

**The Omega Black
College Tour 2018**
Saturday, February 17, 2018
THRU
Friday, February 23, 2018

"KEEPING OUR TRADITIONS ALIVE!"

Application Due Date is Friday, December 1, 2017!

Please read this application in its entirety.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE OMEGA BLACK COLLEGE TOUR (BCT)

Xi Phi, a New York City-based Graduate Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. and Community Uplift through Perseverance Inc. (C.U.P) sponsors and underwrites the Omega Black College Tour. African-American high school students enrolled in schools in New York City and the broader metropolitan area will visit several Historically Black Colleges and Universities. Over the last 30 years, the vision that the African American experience for youth could be challenged through mentoring, leadership development and exposure to educational opportunities available outside the boundaries of New York City has become an attainable reality. This has resulted in transforming the futures of nearly 900 young people to date.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE

The Omega Black College Tour (BCT) strives to stimulate an interest, among select students, in attending one of the publicly or privately supported HBCUs. The long-term objective of the project is to develop the ways and means to assure that qualified high school students in the New York area become familiar with the historic mission of Black Colleges and Universities, academic offerings specific to each institution and their broad range of high quality educational programs outside the classroom. Furthermore, the objective is to identify students who would benefit especially from the stimulating and supportive learning environments so characteristic of Historically Black Colleges and Universities.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE BLACK COLLEGE TOUR

The upcoming Omega Black College Tour (BCT) is scheduled to take place **Saturday, February 18, 2018 through Friday, February 23, 2018**, weather permitting. Our ongoing theme regarding this educational endeavor is "*Keeping Our Traditions Alive*". The reason for this theme is to ensure that our young people and their families continue to be educated about the societal relevance of our historically black colleges and universities.

We are currently scheduled to visit the following institutions of higher learning.

1. **Bennett College**, Greensboro, NC
2. **Clark-Atlanta University**, Atlanta, GA
3. **Delaware State University**, Dover, DE
4. **Hampton University**, Hampton, VA
5. **Howard University**, Washington D.C.
6. **Morgan State University**, Baltimore, MD
7. **Morehouse College**, Atlanta, GA
8. **Norfolk State University**, Norfolk, VA
9. **North Carolina A&T State University**, Greensboro, NC
10. **Spelman College**, Atlanta, GA
11. **Virginia State University**,
12. **Winston Salem State University**, Winston Salem, NC

INFORMATION ABOUT THE APPLICATION PROCESS

The Official Application Form for the Omega Black College Tour (BCT) explains that:

1. This is an APPLICATION Process for an interview.
2. The results of the interview are used to determine the applicant's qualifications for participation in the Omega Black College Tour.
3. Some of the factors that may determine the applicant's participation are:
 - A. Having the potential for admission to a Historically Black College or University as reflected by your academic record in high school;
 - B. Being involved in extracurricular activities in school.
 - C. Being involved in volunteer work.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE APPLICATION PROCESS

In order to be considered, student candidates are expected to:

- Understand all students selected must be dressed in business or business casual attire during the black college tour.
- Complete all parts of the Omega Black College Tour application form and return it by **Friday, December 1, 2017**. Submit a typed and completed application for consideration.
- Come to an in person interview with a parent or guardian physically present.
- Submit an official high school transcript, PSAT, SAT or ACT scores if already taken and **TWO** letters of recommendation from a teacher, counselor, minister, priest, community leader, or education / non profit sector administrator. This individual must speak to your academic and leadership potential.
- Arrive at least 15 minutes before your scheduled interview time.
- Appropriate interview attire are as follows:
 - Young Men – dress shirt, tie, jacket, dress pants and shoes.
 - Young Women – blouse, pants suit or skirt (to knee) and dress shoes.

Any applicant not dressed appropriately or without a parent or guardian physically present will be required to re-schedule the interview.

NOTE: INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE RETURNED AND NOT ACCEPTED

There is a **non-refundable** \$25.00 application fee, which must be submitted with the application.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE INTERVIEW

After the completed application form has been received, applicants will be notified of the date, time and location of their interviews. Please make sure that all of the information on the application is correct. We must be able to contact you, as well as your parent or guardian for notification and confirmation of an interview.

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PRE AND POST-TOUR WORKSHOPS

Selected students for the Omega Black College Tour 2018 must attend all pre college tour workshops and one post college tour workshop. *All workshops are designed to enhance a college-bound student's skills (study habits, test taking, etc.) and to get them familiar with the collegiate experience. This will also serve as an opportunity for the students to get to know each other.*

Please note that pre tour workshops are scheduled to begin tentatively on **Saturday, January 6, 2018** and will be hosted every Saturday thereafter until Saturday, February 10, 2018 from 10:00 am until 5:00 pm (except for the first pre tour workshop concluding by 4pm). The closing ceremony is on Sunday, February 25, 2018 starting from 1:00pm – 5:00pm.

NOTE: The first pre tour workshop on Saturday, January 6, 2018 will be held from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm. This workshop is an orientation regarding expectations during and prior to the tour experience for all selected students. All parents or guardians must be in attendance for the entire workshop.

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL SELECTED STUDENTS MUST BE DRESSED IN BUSINESS OR BUSINESS CASUAL ATTIRE DURING THE OMEGA BLACK COLLEGE TOUR & ALL Pre COLLEGE TOUR WORKSHOPS!

In addition to the first pre tour workshop, parents or guardians must be in attendance for the Financial Aid workshop, “question and answer period” final workshop prior to the black college tour (parents or guardians will only be in attendance for less than half of these specific workshops) and closing ceremony during the dates outlined below. The date of the financial aid workshop will be discussed during the student interview.

If there are any conflicts regarding workshop attendance, please inform the Co-Chairman of the Black College Tour immediately. Please note that the initial interview, Parent/Student Orientation, and closing ceremony cannot be excluded. Please note the following workshops dates are tentative and subject to change.

1. **Sat. January 6, 2018 (parents must be in attendance): Overview of Omega BCT 2018 Tour Itinerary**
2. **Sat. January 13, 2018**
3. **Sat. January 20, 2018**
4. **Sat. January 27, 2018**
5. **Sat. February 3, 2018**
6. **Sat. February 10, 2018 (parents must be in attendance): Question & Answer Period prior to tour with Parents**
7. **Sun. February 25, 2018 @1:00 pm – 5:00 pm (Parents must be in attendance): Closing Workshop and Evaluations**

The following workshops have been presented in the past, please note that others may be added:

- The History, Mission and purpose of Historically Black Colleges and Universities
- “What to Bring, What to Wear” during the black college tour experience
- Academic / Career Exploration, and NCAA eligibility overview
- Public Speaking-Social Media Etiquette
- Personal Statement Brainstorm
- College applications and essay overview
- Financial Aid Workshop
- Introduction to Opportunity program, STEM and McNair programs
- Income Alternatives (work study process overview)
- Test Taking Strategies, Time Management, Diversity and Introduction to College Life

SUMMARY REGARDING THE OMEGA BLACK COLLEGE TOUR FEE AND NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE

The cost of the Omega Black College Tour is \$450.00 per student and includes transportation, lodging, and lunch served during the majority of pre - and post- Tour Workshops. **Please note that the \$450.00 tour fee is due by the first workshop date – Saturday, January 6, 2018.** Those selected to participate must pay for their own lunch and dinner during the tour. Students and their families will be notified of their acceptance by direct phone call and email.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE 2018 APPLICATION PROCESS....IN CONCLUSION

ALL COMPLETED APPLICATIONS ARE DUE ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2017

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED TYPED, NOT HANDWRITTEN.

There is a non-refundable \$25.00 application fee, which must be submitted with the application. An application without the appropriate documentation and application fee will not be processed.

The \$450.00 balance must be paid in FULL by Saturday, January 6, 2018.

A convenient installment schedule can be arranged. A certified bank check or money order must be made payable to Community Uplift through Perseverance or C.U.P. If you are selected to participate, you will be notified shortly after the interview.

Please mail your **completed** application including all requested Letters of Recommendation (two), Official High School Transcript and PSAT/SAT/ACT scores and one \$25.00 cash, certified bank check or money order to the following address:

**Michael Gilbert, Omega Black College Tour 2018
472 Gramatan Avenue, Apt. 3GG
Mount Vernon, NY 10552**

If you have any questions, please contact:

Michael A. Gilbert, Black College Tour 2017 Co-Chairman
Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated - Xi Phi Chapter

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Primary / Personal Email: michaelgilbert74@gmail.com

Chapter Website: www.xiphichapter.org

Facebook: Omega Black College Tour

Instagram: @nycomegablackcollegetour

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Please Read and Complete The Entire Application.

*Please type only, do not handwrite any portion of this application. All sections must be completed.
Please submit with \$25 non-refundable deposit.*

The Application due date is Friday, December 1, 2017

Omega Black College Tour 2018 Application

STUDENT INFORMATION

STUDENT NAME _____ GENDER _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____

HOME ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

HOME PHONE _____ MOBILE PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN _____ MOBILE PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

WORK PHONE _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN _____ MOBILE PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

WORK PHONE _____

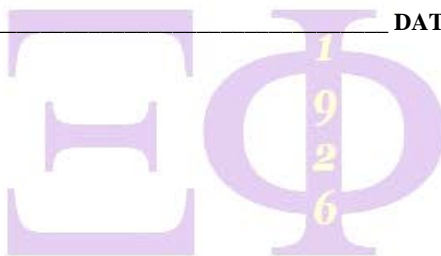
EMERGENCY CONTACT _____ RELATIONSHIP _____

MOBILE _____ EMAIL _____ WORK _____

HOW DID YOU LEARN ABOUT THE OMEGA BLACK COLLEGE TOUR? Please specify who or where you obtained information about the tour.

APPLICANT SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____



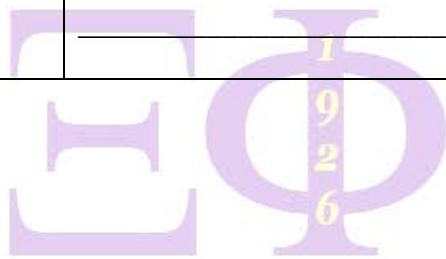
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EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

School Name	(freshman, sophomore, junior or senior)	Public School	Private School
School Address	City	State	Zip Code
Principal	Phone	Email	
Counselor	Phone	Email	
Overall Grade Point Average	Intended College Major		

Please check one of the choices indicated below:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Accounting <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture <input type="checkbox"/> Business <input type="checkbox"/> Broadcasting <input type="checkbox"/> Communications <input type="checkbox"/> Culinary <input type="checkbox"/> Drama <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering <input type="checkbox"/> Entrepreneur <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental <input type="checkbox"/> Finance <input type="checkbox"/> Human Resources <input type="checkbox"/> Information Technology | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Journalism <input type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement <input type="checkbox"/> Legal <input type="checkbox"/> Management Information Systems <input type="checkbox"/> Media <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing <input type="checkbox"/> Medicine <input type="checkbox"/> Nursing <input type="checkbox"/> Public Relations <input type="checkbox"/> Social Work <input type="checkbox"/> Teaching <input type="checkbox"/> Other (if your major of interest is not listed, or if you are undecided regarding a major of interest, please indicate below) |
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Have you taken the following standardized tests?

PSAT	DATE	SCORE
SAT	DATE	SCORE
ACT	DATE	SCORE

If you have not taken any test, when will it be taken?

MONTH	YEAR
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LIST SPECIAL AWARDS OR RECOGNITION CITATIONS YOU RECEIVED FOR ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT OR EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: (Use additional sheets if necessary)

Please answer all or the following questions using between 200-300 words...attach to your completed application.

- 1. Introduce yourself...who are you? What are your academic and career aspirations?**
- 2. Why should you be chosen as an Omega Black College Tour participant?**
- 3. What in your opinion, has prepared for this potential experience to date?**
- 4. How would this experience change you?**

SCHOOL & COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES: (Use additional sheets if necessary)

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MEDICAL HISTORY

1. Are you presently under a physician's care? Yes _____ No _____
2. Are regularly scheduled appointments required? Yes _____ No _____ (If yes to 1 and or 2, please list the condition(s) for which you are being treated. Use additional sheets if necessary)
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3. List any medication(s) that you are currently taking and reason.

4. Have you had any contact with Hepatitis or other contagious illness?
Yes _____ No _____ (If yes, list illness and dates)

5. Have you had a PPD test? Yes _____ No _____ (If yes, please give year) Year? _____

The PPD test was: Positive _____ Negative _____

If a chest X-ray was completed: (Date) _____ (Result) _____

6. Do you have or have you had any of the following during the past year?

Persistent Cough Yes___ NO ___ Nervousness Yes___ NO ___

Shortness of Breath Yes___ NO ___ Joint Pain Yes___ NO ___

Chest Pain Yes___ NO ___ Back Pain Yes___ NO ___

Swollen Ankles Yes___ NO ___ Frequent Colds Yes___ NO ___

Abdominal Pain Yes___ NO ___ Weight Loss Yes___ NO ___

Hernia Yes___ NO ___ Frequent Vomiting Yes___ NO ___

Fainting Yes___ NO ___ Persistent Diarrhea Yes___ NO ___

Dizziness Yes___ NO ___ Constipation Yes___ NO ___

Numbness Yes___ NO ___ Eye Problems Yes___ NO ___

Asthma Yes___ NO ___ Diabetes Yes___ NO ___

7. Do you have any allergies? Yes _____ No _____

(If you answered yes, please list) _____

Medical Insurance Coverage Information:

(This form must be notarized. Medical insurance is required for all tour participants; please attach copy of medical insurance card to this application)

In case of emergency where it becomes necessary for my child to be treated by a hospital or physician, the medical insurance coverage is as follows:

Name of Insured: _____ Relation to Child: _____

Carrier: _____ Policy ID #: _____

Employer or Group: _____ Group #: _____

STUDENT'S MEDICAL DOCTOR INFORMATION:

Doctor's / Medical Provider's Full Name

Business Address and Office Telephone Number

PARENTAL CONSENT & MEDICAL STATEMENT

I do hereby give permission for my child _____ to participate in the Omega Black College Tour from _____ through _____. It is expected that my child will remain with the group during the entire tour and he/she will abide by the rules applying to conduct in effect during the tour. *I grant Omega Black College Tour Chaperones and planning committee members permission to provide any emergency medical services needed, if necessary.*

In the event that it may become necessary to have my child returned home for medical reasons while on the tour, transportation costs will be at my expense.

It is further understood that this form has been notarized granting permission for the hospital or doctor to treat my child. I have also read the completed "Medical History." The above medical record for my child is thorough and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Print Name Parent/Guardian

Date

Signature Parent/Guardian

Date

Signature & Stamp of Notary Public

Date

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Black College Tour 2018 CODE OF BEHAVIOR AGREEMENT FORM (Page 1)

The purpose of the Code of Behavior Agreement Form to ensure that the selected student and his or her family understand behavioral expectations during all pre tour workshops and week of the Omega Black College Tour. Please read the following carefully, sign, notarize and mail with the completed application. The specific agreement will be discussed during the student interview and the 1st workshop.

- I will clean up after myself at all times on the black college tour bus and hotels.
- I will observe the 11:00pm curfew. I understand that a violation of the curfew will result in my being sent home at my parents' expense.
- I will not take hotel property of any kind while on the black college tour.
- I understand that I must wear dress / professional attire while on this Tour Monday through Friday and during each workshop. I know that I must wear comfortable shoes.
- I understand that I must follow the instructions of all of all Omega Black College Tour Chaperones, as well as, the Omega Black College Tour Co-Chairman. Any conduct which jeopardizes the safety, security or integrity of the Tour will result in my being sent home at my parents' expense.
- I understand that the black college tour s an educational trip and will complete all of the work assigned during the Pre-Tour Workshops, as well as, while on the Tour.
- I understand that, although I might not want to participate in scheduled and unscheduled activities, I must. I know that I cannot be left alone.
- I will remain with the Tour at all times. I understand that leaving the Tour will result in my being sent home at my parents' expense.
- I understand that it is my responsibility to eat properly. I will not knowingly eat anything that will make me sick.
- I understand and accept give all electronic equipment to black college tour chaperones when requested; that I will be attentive to presentations on admissions, financial aid, as well as, information given during walking campus tours.
- I understand that it is my responsibility to carry my assigned notebook and wear lanyards to all black college tour workshops and on campus presentations.
- I know that it is inappropriate for me to disturb fellow black college tour program participants, chaperones, as well as, other hotel guests. I understand what it means to be a guest in a hotel, as well as a guest on a campus. I will comport myself accordingly.
- I understand that it is inappropriate for me to use inappropriate or demeaning language toward any person while on the black college tour.

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PERSONAL CONSENT AND RELEASE

I hereby authorize Community Uplift through Perseverance, Inc and its affiliates, licensees, successors and assigns (collectively known as, “CUP”) to make use of my appearance in connection with the 2018 “Omega Black College Tour” (the “Program”), as follows:

1. To photograph me and any materials I include in my performance (e.g., photographs, audio or video clips);
2. To record my voice, conversation and sounds, including the performance of any musical composition(s), during and in connection with the Program; and
3. To edit, use, reproduce, exhibit and distribute, in whole or in part, in any manner and media now known or hereinafter invented, an unlimited number of times in perpetuity throughout the world, these photographs and recordings, in support of, or to promote, CUP’s educational programs and mission.

I hereby waive the right to inspect or approve any of the photographs or recordings. I understand that CUP will be the exclusive owner of all of the photographs and recordings.

I also agree that CUP may use my name, voice, likeness and biographical material for promotion of the black college tour.

I hereby release and hold harmless CUP and those acting pursuant to its authority from liability for any claims by me or any third party in connection with my participation in the Program or the actions of CUP in reliance of this consent and release. I have read and fully understand the terms of this consent and release.

Required Signatures:

Print Name - Student

Date

Signature - Student

Date

Print Name Parent/Guardian

Date ¹

Signature Parent/Guardian

Date ²

Signature & Stamp of Notary Public

Date

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