

APPLICATION

I. PERSONAL DATA (PLEASE PRINT VERY CLEARLY!)

Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

County in NJ _____ Birthdate _____ Sex _____

Phone () _____ E-mail _____

Parents' Names _____

Hometown Newspapers (list all that you know of) _____

High School _____

Street Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Expected Graduation Date _____ Grade Point Average _____

How did you hear about this program? _____

Please list any awards, honors, school or community activities, employment, and/or journalistic activities:

Are you interested in pursuing a career in journalism? Explain: _____

Do you have skill in photography? _____ If so, please explain and send a few examples of your work.

Have you faced any challenges or obstacles to getting involved in journalism? Please explain.



Please list computer applications/programs you use regularly (especially Quark, InDesign, Photoshop, Internet page design software): _____

II. REQUIRED ESSAYS

Essay 1: Tell us all about yourself! Let a 300-word typed, double-spaced autobiography reflect your personality and creativity. What is important to you in your life? What have you accomplished so far? What do you hope to do in the future? Why is journalism important to you?

Essay 2: Considering the ultimate goal of this workshop is to help the newspaper industry address the diversity of their reporters and editors as a way of assuring a diversity of content in newspapers, provide your thoughts concerning that goal. What would you hope to gain from attending the workshop and what do you think you have to offer if you attend? (300-500 words)

III. OTHER WRITING SAMPLES

Please attach two (2) other samples of your writing to this application. If possible, include clippings from your school newspaper, yearbook, or other publications. **ALL CLIPPINGS MUST BE MOUNTED ON 8.5X11" PAPER OR THEY CANNOT BE CONSIDERED.** If you are writing a sample for this application, choose a topic that is currently in the news and explain how it relates to young people today.

IV. REQUIRED RECOMMENDATIONS

Two letters of recommendation are required. Please ask two people who know you well -- high school teachers, newspaper advisers, etc. -- for a letter of recommendation that describes your qualifications for this workshop. Each letter must include the person's name, title, and email address.

V. SIGNATURES

Applicant: I hereby verify that the information provided above is correct and accurate to the best of my knowledge, and that the writing is my own work. I also certify that I have not previously attended any other Dow Jones funded journalism workshop.

(applicant signature)

(date)

Parent or Guardian:

I hereby give my permission for the applicant to attend the Hugh N. Boyd Journalism Diversity Workshop at Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ, from July 13-25, 2008, including supervised field trips off campus. I understand that if the applicant is selected, expenses including tuition, room and board, and travel will be paid by the program's sponsors. Travel expenses to and from home are the responsibility of the participant. NOTE: Participants who accept this award are expected to attend the entire program and not leave early.

(parent or guardian signature)

(date)

VII. DEADLINE

Completed applications must be sent in hard copy only and must be received by May 15, 2008. Please check to see that your packet is complete and send the packet with all materials to:

Hugh N. Boyd Journalism Diversity Workshop
c/o Stephen Chiger
University Academy Charter High School
275 West Side Avenue
Jersey City, NJ 07305