



Utah Juneteenth Celebration 2018 “Year of Jubilee: Reclaim, Restore, Rebuild”

MR. AND MISS JUNETEENTH SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST

The Utah Juneteenth Committee is pleased to announce the 4TH Annual Mr. and Miss Juneteenth Scholarship Contest. In the spirit of Nguzo Saba, the seven principles of Kwanzaa, we celebrate our African/African American youth.

Eligibility Criteria: African/African American students in 11th or 12th grade during the 2017-2018 school year.

Process: Fill out and return application form, along with typed essay and picture. **Deadline May 1, 2018.** Return via US mail to Project Success Coalition, P.O. Box 151003, Ogden, UT 84415 or via email to 2018juneteenthsscholarship@gmail.com.

Recognition: Mr. and Miss Juneteenth 2018 must be present at the opening celebration of Juneteenth on Monday, June 4th at Gallivan Center in Salt Lake; Friday, June 15th at Weber State in Layton for the Media Release and reception and Saturday, June 16th at the Juneteenth Festival at Union Station Ogden. Second and Third place winners and all other applicants must be present on Saturday, June 16th at 2:00pm at Union Station Ogden to be recognized and receive their monetary awards or gift cards.

Awards: Mr. and Miss Juneteenth will receive \$500 award and have the honor of representing Juneteenth all year long. Second place winners will receive a \$100 award and 3rd place winners will receive a \$50 award. All applicants who do not place will receive a certificate of achievement, gift card, and recognition at the Festival.

Winners and all other applicants must be present to receive their monetary award or gift card. No exceptions to this rule!

Juneteenth is the oldest nationally celebrated commemoration of the ending of slavery in the United States. From its Galveston, Texas origin in 1865, the observance of June 19th as the African American Emancipation Day has spread across the United States and beyond. Juneteenth became a state holiday in Utah in 2016.

The principles of Kwanzaa, a celebration of life are:

- *Umoja (Unity): To strive for and to maintain unity in the family, community, nation, and race.*
- *Kujichagulia (Self-Determination): To define ourselves, name ourselves, create for ourselves, and speak for ourselves.*
- *Ujima (Collective Work and Responsibility): To build and maintain our community together and make our brothers' and sisters' problems our problems, and to solve them together.*
- *Ujamaa (Cooperative Economics): To build and maintain our own stores, shops, and other businesses and to profit from them together.*
- *Nia (Purpose): To make our collective vocation the building and developing of our community in order to restore our people to their traditional greatness.*
- *Kuumba (Creativity): To do always as much as we can, in the way we can, in order to leave our community more beautiful and beneficial than we inherited it.*
- *Imani (Faith): To believe with all our hearts in our people, our parents, our teachers, our leaders, and the righteousness and victory of our struggle.*