**TO:** Moraine Park Technical College Students

**FROM:** Moraine Park Federation of Teachers (MPFT)

**DATE:** February 6, 2017

**SUBJECT:** MPFT Awards Procedure

**PURPOSE**

The Moraine Park Federation of Teachers, a union of professional educators at Moraine Park, would like to give our **“2017 Community Stewardship, Activist and Leadership Award”** to deserving Moraine Park students. We have allotted up to $2000 to be divided among a maximum of 6 current students.

**ELIGIBILITY**

Students interested in applying for an MPFT Award must meet the following requirements:

1. **Be a currently enrolled student on a full-time (12 or more credits), ¾ time**

**(9-11 credits), ½ time (6-8 credits) basis in any MPTC program, or in the final year of an MPTC state indentured apprenticeship program.**

1. Complete the attached application and affidavit form
2. Write an original and unpublished **500 word (minimum) essay** (Please refer to the background information and essay criteria below)
3. Submit the name of a full time MPTC instructor who has agreed to be your reference
4. Submit all completed materials including the type-written essay in .doc or .pdf format to [bbrown@morainpark.edu](mailto:bbrown@morainpark.edu) by **5PM, Monday, March 13, 2017**

**SELECTION PROCESS**

Winners will be selected by a panel of your instructors based on originality, viability, spelling, sentence structure and completeness of thought. Awards will be announced and given at the Student Awards Banquet on Friday May 12, 2017.

**MPFT Award Application Form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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I am currently enrolled in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ program at MPTC.

**Moraine Park Faculty Member Reference**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone/Ext: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Position at MPTC: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Moraine Park Federation of Teachers Award Affidavit**

**As an MPFT Awards applicant, I certify that I am currently enrolled as a student at Moraine Park Technical College in a program as described above in Eligibility. I authorize that the MPFT Awards Selection Committee have access to my student activity record to verify my eligibility and obtain information for consideration in the screening process.**

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

**Authorization**

I hereby allow MPFT to publish my essay in the MPFT newsletter. (Will not affect scoring)

YES\_\_\_ NO\_\_\_ (Please check one)

**500 WORD (minimum) ESSAY CRITERIA**

Our country was built not only by those who set out on their own, but by those willing to work together for a common cause to benefit the community. Our revolutionary war established an independent country to give individuals a voice in government. This system flourishes because individual citizens were and are willing to step out to advocate for the benefits we have today. Whether it’s quality public education for all, an interstate highway system, a park in your neighborhood, clean drinking water, a safe place to work where you can earn a fair wage for your efforts, the right to equal access under the law, time off to spend with your families, or the opportunity to retire with dignity before you die, all these things came about because people in the past decided to sacrifice time out of their lives to stand up for a cause. Some did it alone, but most developed advocacy groups to accomplish their goals. It is through the tireless dedication of countless committed people that we enjoy our lives in this great country.

Describe a situation in which you, or someone you know, benefited from the efforts of others.

How would you use this award?

Explain your personal accomplishments or goals to improve the lives of others in your community, state or country.

**The members of the MPFT Awards Selection Committee look forward to your submission**