Byron Warfield-Graham Essay Contest

The Byron Warfield-Graham (BWG) Essay Contest honors the 50th Anniversary of the historic establishment of the Black Student Union Club at Weber State University. Established in the fall of 1968, Black students came together during the height of the Civil Rights Movement to secure a safe space and forum to address issues of concern as well as promote a sense of identity and pride. The BWG Essay Contest invites students to connect that history to the current state of affairs on campus and around the country today!

**Essay Topic:** As you reflect upon 50 years of history at a predominantly white institution, do you feel Black Scholars United, formerly Black Student Union, is a valued and necessary organization at Weber State in the year 2018.

**Eligibility:** The contest is open to all current WSU students.

**Essay Length:** Essays must be between 500-1000 words. Submissions that do not meet this requirement, or that exceed it, will be disqualified.

**Deadline:** Essays along with the cover sheet must be submitted no later than 11:59 pm. September 30, 2018.

**Judging:** Essays will be judged on their ability to respond to the topic in an articulate, clear, and organized manner, using examples from their research and experiences. Other criteria include originality, structure and grammar, and how interesting it is.

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**Cover Sheet**

Name: ________________________________ W# __________________________

Address: ____________________________________________________________

City, State, Zip:

Email address__________________________________________________________

Phone: ______________________________

Ethnic/Racial Origin: (Please check all that apply) □ Black/African American □ Asian

□ Latino/Hispanic/Chicano □ Native American/Alaskan Native

□ Pacific Islander □ Caucasian

Utah Resident: □ Yes □ No