

## 2026 RACINE'S MR. JUNETEENTH SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION

Dear Student,

We are excited to invite you to participate in the **2026 Racine's Mr. Juneteenth Scholarship Competition**, a meaningful and inspiring opportunity for African American male high school seniors to be celebrated for their excellence, leadership, and potential.

**Mr. Juneteenth** is not only a prestigious title, but a platform to uplift and represent the community. The crowned winner will receive a scholarship of **up to \$1,000**, awarded directly to the college, university, or trade school of enrollment. In addition to this award, **Mr. Juneteenth 2026** will be prominently featured at the Annual **Sneaker Ball – Saturday, June 6, 2026**, and the **51<sup>st</sup> Annual Outdoor Festival - Saturday, June 13, 2026**, as well as engage in the **week-long Juneteenth Celebration events** that promote leadership and service throughout the year.

As **Mr. Juneteenth**, you will serve as a positive role model and ambassador for the City of Racine and Racine County. You will have the opportunity to network and collaborate with **Miss Juneteenth**, local organizations such as **Positive Men Making A Difference**, the **Dr. John Bryant Community Center**, and the **Racine Juneteenth Committee**. Throughout your reign, you will be expected to maintain a strong community presence by attending school visits and public events—representing pride, heritage, and excellence.

### How to Enter:

To be considered, please submit a completed application including the following:

- A **250-word essay** on: *“Juneteenth...A Celebration of History, Heritage & Culture”*
- Proof of age (a copy of your photo ID with date of birth)
- A copy of your most recent **report card and transcript** (minimum 2.5 GPA required)

**Deadline for submissions: Friday, April 17, 2026**

Applicants will be evaluated by a panel of judges based on the following criteria: poise and personality, essay writing and interview responses

We, the Juneteenth Committee and PMMAD, are committed to making this experience a positive, empowering, and unforgettable journey for all participants. Thank you for your interest in being part of **Racine's 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Juneteenth Day Celebration**. We look forward to celebrating your leadership and achievements!

If you have any questions, please contact us at: [✉ racinejuneteenth@cityofracine.org](mailto:racinejuneteenth@cityofracine.org).

Warm regards,

**Positive Men Making A Difference  
Racine Juneteenth Committee**



### **Mr. Juneteenth Requirements:**

As role models and positive examples of the hopes and dreams of our ancestors, contestants are expected to conduct themselves in a way that will bring honor and pride in our community, as well as not do acts that would bring shame to themselves or the title of Mr. Juneteenth.

### ***Please read and review the following:***

- All entrants must submit a 250-word essay on, *“Juneteenth... A Celebration of History, Heritage & Culture”*
- A copy of your school ID
- Be a resident of Racine County
- Submit transcript/report card to verify the required G.P.A. is being met

### **Participants Must Have:**

- An upstanding reputation in the community and not be involved in questionable activities, have no pending legal issues, and no prior misdemeanor or felony convictions.
- Have a minimum grade point average of 2.5 or higher.
- Submit a completed application packet and have the written consent (signature) of their parent or legal guardian before participating in Mr. Juneteenth

### **Submit your completed/signed application to:**

Dr. John Bryant Community Center  
c/o Racine Juneteenth Committee  
601 Caron Butler Dr.  
Racine, WI 53403

Dr. ML King Community Center  
c/o Racine Juneteenth Committee  
1134 Martin Luther King Dr.  
Racine, WI 53404

**or**

Email: [racinejuneteenth@cityofracine.org](mailto:racinejuneteenth@cityofracine.org)

Please contact **Gary Cotton** at (262)637-8377 or **Tray Allen** at (262)636-9568 for additional questions, comments or concerns.

**51ST CELEBRATION**  
**STEPPING INTO HISTORY, HERITAGE & CULTURE**

# 2026 Racine's Mr. Juneteenth Application

## STUDENT INFORMATION

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ School's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Grade Level \_\_\_\_\_ GPA \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

## PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work/Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

## APPLICATION QUESTIONS

Why do you want to be a part of Mr. Juneteenth?

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Have you won any previous titles, contests, awards? *If so, please list.*

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What are your educational and career goals?

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Please list your hobbies...

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The undersigned hereby attest to the health, age and GPA of the above entrant as stated in this application and the answers to the questions are true to the best of my knowledge. I understand the rules and regulations and hereby give my CHILD/minor permission to compete in Mr. Juneteenth.

Entrant's Signature/Date: \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature/Date: \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_