

## Scholarship Student Essay Tip Sheet

It's important to state the adversity (difficulties/hardships) you've faced throughout your journey. Remember, you are going up against students who have been through similar situations, you want your story to stand out and be powerful. Write about why/how education has helped you through your hardships, even if it's only now that it has helped. Here are specific elements to integrate into your student essay:

- 1) Brief description of your background
- 2) How did you overcome adversity?
- 3) An adult who has helped/mentored you and how they did so.
- 4) What college do you plan or have been accepted to attend?
- 5) What do you plan to major in?
- 6) What are your educational and career goals?
- 7) If possible, how would you give back to others in the future?

You want your finished essay to be around 2 pages or less. Do not forget to add your name to your essay.