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The Juneteenth Essay Contest presented by the **Progressive Missionary Baptist Association (PMBA)** in Riceboro, Georgia is an opportunity for three high school seniors to win \$500 in scholarship money. Juneteenth (June 19) is the oldest celebration marking the end of slavery in the US and was first celebrated in Galveston, Texas in 1865. Officially named Juneteenth National Independence Day, June 19 is now officially recognized as a federal holiday.

Applications will be available beginning Friday, March 20, 2026. Applications must be submitted by **2:00 PM on Friday, May 8, 2026**. Winners must be available to attend the **PMBA Juneteenth Freedom Festival** at Riceboro Youth Center on Friday, June 19, 2026, at 3:30PM.

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