The families of Robert “Pete” Griffin and Hansel Tookes established an endowed scholarship as a lasting memorial to honor their outstanding accomplishments and as a reflection of the dedication the two men had for promoting excellence at Florida A&M University (FAMU). The Griffin-Tookes Endowed Scholarship is intended to provide financial support to FAMU’s outstanding athletes and physical education majors.

**Robert “Pete” Griffin and Hansel Tookes**

Robert “Pete” Griffin and Hansel Tookes contributed greatly to FAMU as student athletes, teachers, and coaches. They contributed a combined total of over 90 years of service that included contributions to 11 national football championships during 1938 to 1978.

Robert Griffin was the “father” of the FAMU Relays. Mr. Griffin, who was known as “Pete”, was the star center of the FAMU football team that was undefeated, untied and unscored on in 1938. He discovered Bob Hayes, one of the world’s fastest humans. In less than two years, Hayes had become the world’s top ranked sprinter, setting a world record of 9.1 seconds for the 100 yard dash in 1963. Hayes went on to win Olympic gold medals in the 100-meter dash and 400 meter relay at the 1964 Games in Tokyo before beginning an 11-year career as a star wide receiver for the National Football League’s Dallas Cowboys.

Hansel Tookes created the FAMU Hall of Fame and the National F Club. The National F Club consists of athletes, alumni, and supporters of FAMU’s athletic programs. Mr. Tookes along with Lloyd Johnson, also started the Florida Classic football game between FAMU and Bethune-Cookman. In addition, Tookes served as Director of Athletics at FAMU, chaired the FAMU Health, Physical Education and Recreation Department and oversaw the FAMU Intramural Department during his career at the university.

Both men are graduates of FAMU whose hard work and dedication earned them a spot in the FAMU Sports Hall of FAME and the recognition as Distinguished Alumni in Athletics.

*Griffin and Tookes are two great examples of FAMU’s motto of excellence with caring.*
General Information
1. Scholarship recipients will be selected annually by the HPER scholarship committee, after review of application material. Academic records, letters of recommendation, commitment to the academic program, and other specified criteria will be considered.
2. Awards may be made to high school graduates, junior college transfer students and students currently enrolled at FAMU depending on the scholarship criteria. Consideration will be given to all scholarship applications.
3. Students must submit an application and all awards are competitive, but materials are due by June 1.
4. The award is intended to be used during the traditional academic year (fall and spring), and for academic purposes such as tuition, fees and books.
5. Students must submit a transcript from all schools (high school graduate) and colleges/universities.
6. The award is renewable for up to four years, however, an application for renewal must be submitted by June 1.

Robert “Pete” Griffin – Hansel Tookes Endowed Scholarship

Criteria:
• GPA 2.5 or above
• Commitment to pursuing a degree in Physical Education
• Member of PEPS Club
• Florida Resident

Award: $1,500 annually

NAME: ____________________________  Student ID: ____________________________
Address: __________________________ City __________________________ State _______ Zip _______ Phone: __________________________
Date of Birth: ______________ Major: ______________ Classification: ______________ Cum GPA: ______________
Social Security #( if not currently enrolled at University): __________________________

Are you a current member of HPER Physical Education Majors Club? ______________
If yes, please provide a letter signed by the PEPS President and club’s Faculty Advisor.

Are you a current member of a) Florida AHPERD? ______________ b) AAHPERD? ______________

Please indicate the campus organization which you have membership.
1. ____________________________  2. ____________________________  3. ____________________________

Have you held any leadership positions or office in any organization? ______________
If yes, please list those offices and organizations and include dates: __________________________

The following items must be submitted with this application:
• An official copies of your school or college transcripts
• A letter of recommendation from each - HPER Dept. Chairperson, current instructor, and one academic advisor.
• Personal statement regarding current and future HPER issues.
• Statement of your Philosophy of Education
• A current resume

Please submit Application to:
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