

**National Association for the Advancement of Colored People  
Bucks County Branch #2253  
P.O. Box 224 - Bensalem, PA 19020**

*Education Scholarship Application*

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), Bucks County Branch, is pleased to solicit applicants for our annual scholarship program. The NAACP mission is to create environments within our communities that empower children to have access to quality and appropriate opportunities to reach their optimal potential.

An eligible applicant must be a resident of Bucks County and must be a senior in high school with at least a cumulative G.P.A of 2.5 out of 4.0. In addition, applicants must be applying to a four-year college or university program, a two-year associate degree program or to a trade school. Guidelines for applying are included in the application packet. This year three scholarships of \$1,000 each will be awarded to deserving students.

Completed applications for this scholarship must be sent to the address below and **postmarked no later than April 12, 2019**. **All sections of the application must be completed as required and included in the mailed packet.** Failure to include all requested information will invalidate the application. Mail applications to:

**NAACP Bucks County Branch #2253  
Education Committee  
P.O. Box 224  
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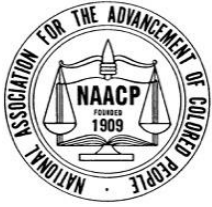
Awardees will be notified by April 30, 2019, of the application review results.

**Feel free to make copies of the application for distribution.**

For questions, clarification, or to request a Word version of the application, email [lihope@me.com](mailto:lihope@me.com).

Sincerely,

Leonore Hope  
Education Chair



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**2019 STATEMENT OF INTENT**

Three (3) Bucks County high school graduates, who are planning to continue their education at an accredited institution (college, university or vocational trade school), could each receive a \$1,000.00 scholarship toward their higher education costs.

**I. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:**

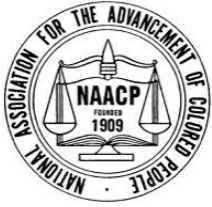
*Please read the following information carefully and completely before filling out the application.*

- A. The applicant must be a high school senior who is pursuing entrance into continuing education.
- B. Members of the NAACP Bucks County Branch Executive Committee, Youth Work Committee, Scholarship Selection Committee, and their spouses or families are not eligible to apply for or receive the scholarship.
- C. The applicant must possess a cumulative grade point average of a least 2.5 out of a 4.0 system.
- D. The applicant must write an essay in 1000 words or less explaining their personal motivation and desire to make the world a better place in which to live.
- E. The student must be an American citizen.

**II. THE APPLICATION PROCESS WILL REQUIRE THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS:**

**A. Applicant Form**

- 1. All applications **must be typed or printed clearly**.
- 2. Students are urged to restrict all information to the application form except for the following required documents.
  - a. An official transcript of grades with SAT or ACT scores if applicable.
  - b. A resume of high school awards, accomplishments, activities and community service. Please list the years involved and any offices held.
    - 1) This may be included as an attachment rather than placing all of your accomplishments on the application.
  - c. Two letters of recommendation.
    - 1) One letter of recommendation must be from a teacher, counselor or administrator from the school that the applicant attends.
    - 2) The second letter may be a personal reference letter if so desired.
    - 3) Letters must be typed on appropriate letterhead.
  - d. The essay referenced in above must be complete and enclosed.



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**Application Form  
(Must Type or Print Clearly)**

**SECTION A: PERSONAL INFORMATION**

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

2. HOME ADDRESS:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. HOME TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ 4. CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

5. BIRTHDATE: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Are you an American Citizen?  Yes  No

7. Are you or any members of your family a member of the NAACP?

Yes  No

*If yes,*  
To what Branch or Youth Council do you belong? \_\_\_\_\_

8. Please provide the name and location of the school (high school) or schools that you attend.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

9. Please list school, community and religious organizations in which you are a member, offices held and years of involvement. You may attach a supplemental resume of your activities.

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10. How did you hear about this scholarship? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

11. Have you applied for any other NAACP Scholarship?  Yes  No  
If yes, which one(s)?

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12 List any academic awards or honors received during your high school years. Please include the year received.

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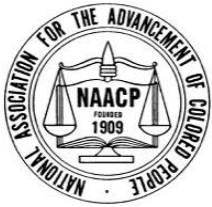
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**SECTION B: EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION**

Class Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of students in the class \_\_\_\_\_

Weighted Cumulative Grade Point Average: \_\_\_\_\_

ACT or SAT Scores with dates taken: \_\_\_\_\_

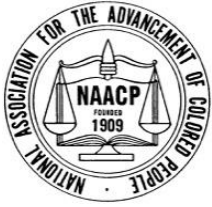
**\*\*AN OFFICIAL COPY OF TRANSCCRIPT WITH SAT AND/OR ACT SCORES MUST BE INCLUDED WITH YOUR APPLICATION IN A SEALED ENVELOPE IF APPLICABLE. THE GUIDANCE COUNSELOR SHOULD PLACE HIS/HER SIGNATURE ON THE OUTSIDE OF THE ENVELOPE.**

**SECTION C: SCHOOL AND STUDENT INFORMATION**

List no more than 5 institutes of higher learning to which you have submitted applications. Also provide the status of each application. (Accepted or Pending)

\*If you have been accepted, include a copy of your acceptance letter with your application.

INSTITUTION	*STATUS OF THE APPLICATION



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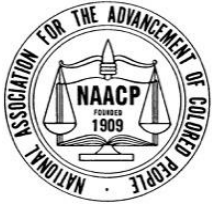
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**SECTION D: STUDENT ESSAY**

This section provides details for your essay. This essay will allow you to share your educational objectives, and your short term and long range goals. The finished essay, with a **MAXIMUM of 1000 words**, is to be attached to your application. It must be typed on white 8 ½ X 11 paper, double spaced and written in paragraph form.

**This essay should include the following:**

1. A personal introduction that demonstrates why the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People should consider you for this scholarship.
2. The field of study you have selected and the reasons for your selection.
3. Your long-range goals following graduation from your institute of higher learning.
4. Your role in making this world a better place to live.



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**SECTION E: LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION INFORMATION FOR THE STUDENT**

**Directions:** You must submit **two letters of recommendation** with your application. These letters **should not** be written by relatives. One letter must be written by a teacher, counselor or an administrator. The second letter may be written by a religious leader, a community representative or an employer.

**MAKE A COPY OF LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION PAGE AND GIVE IT TO EACH PERSON WRITING A RECOMMENDATION.**

**SECTION F: LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION INFORMATION FOR PERSON WRITING THE LETTER**

**The Bucks County Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People greatly appreciates your taking the time to write this letter of recommendation.**

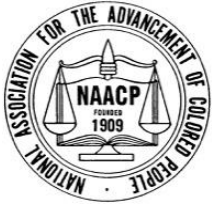
**Your Letter of Recommendation should address the following information:**

- How long and under what circumstances you have known the student.
- How would you rate this student's academic ability and his/her potential for success in college or in pursuit of a non-traditional degree?
- Describe the student's personality.
- Describe how the student demonstrates a commitment to community or public service and the impact of these actions on your school or community.
- Include any additional information you feel might assist the Bucks County Branch of the NAACP with evaluating this student.

**Each letter should be written or typed on letterhead and signed by the person writing the letter. Please place your letter in a sealed envelope with the student's name on the front and your signature on the back of the envelope.**

**You may return your envelop to the student.**

**All letters of recommendation and transcripts must be mailed together with other application information and must be postmarked no later than April 12, 2019.**



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**SECTION G: AUTHORIZATION AND CERTIFICATION**

**Please read and sign below.**

I certify that all of the information submitted with my application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. If asked by the NAACP President or Scholarship Chairperson, I agree to provide proof of the information presented. I understand that the inclusion of any false or misleading information, or the exclusion of requested information, will result in the removal of my application from consideration for any award and will necessitate the repayment of any award I receive. Moreover, I pledge to use the proceeds from any award for tuition, room and board, books or other expenses directly related to my college education or pursuit of a non-traditional degree.

Permission is hereby given to high school, college/university, or institution of higher learning to release to NAACP, any information concerning my personal circumstances related to my application. **Permission is hereby given to the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Bucks County Branch, Continuing Education Scholarship to use the information in my application and or my photograph for publicity and media purposes, with the understanding that my privacy and the privacy of my family will be respected.**

I have read the application instructions. I am aware that incomplete or missing information on my application will jeopardize consideration for this award.

After reviewing the applications, applicants may be selected for an interview.

If you are selected for an interview, you will be contacted by specific information about that interview by April 30, 2019.

Student Signature:

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Parent / Guardian Signature:

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT NOTE:**

**ITEMS “A” THROUGH “G” MUST BE INCLUDED IN ONE PACKAGE. ALL APPLICATIONS AND ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTS MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN APRIL 12, 2019, AND SENT TO:**

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