



## 2020 YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP

### Eligibility Requirements

1. Must be a graduating high school student of color.
2. Must be pursuing an undergraduate degree at an established college, university or vocational school. Other specialized training or certification may be considered and approved by the NAACP.

### Applications:

1. All applications delivered in person must be received NAACP by March 20, 2020. If mailed, applications must be postmarked no later than March 20, 2020.
2. In addition to the application, required materials include:
  - An official transcript
  - A brief statement (<750 words) that describes
    - Your advocacy/activism work to date (Do not simply list organizations you belong to; tell what you were trying to accomplish, what you did, and what you learned from the experience)
    - Your educational plan
  - Two letters of recommendation from teachers, school administrators or community leaders who know you well.
3. Incomplete applications will not be processed.

### Selection criteria:

1. Selection for the scholarship is based on the following criteria:
  - Demonstrated advocacy or activism in the community. Preference is given to students who have been active in the NAACP-Springfield Branch Youth Chapter.
  - Academic achievement
  - Work experience
  - Ability to write well
  - Community service and volunteering

### Award:

1. The recipient of the scholarship will be notified by a member of the NAACP scholarship committee.
2. Upon acceptance of admission and attendance into the selected school, the NAACP will issue a one-time check for the 2020-2021 academic year.

**Your scholarship packet should include:  
Application, Personal Statement, Official High School Transcript  
and 2 letters of Recommendation**

Send your completed application packet to:

**Springfield NAACP**

Attn: Scholarship Committee

PO Box 8983

Springfield, MO 65801

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

**Activities and Honors**

Please list each activity or honor only once in the appropriate section. PLEASE DO NOT ABBREVIATE.

**School Activities**

Activities can include math club, computer club, athletic teams, cheerleading, service clubs, student band, school publications etc.

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**Special Recognition or Academic Honors**  
*(Honor Society, National Science Fair, Dean's List, etc.)*

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**Organized Volunteer, Community, or Other Activities**  
*(Scouts, Music, Community Service, Volunteer, NAACP Youth Membership, Leadership, Church etc.)*  
*Please include length of involvement and year.*

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**PAID EMPLOYMENT**

*(List only employment during school year)*

Description of Employment, School Year, Average Hours/Week, # of Weeks

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**SUMMER ACTIVITIES**

*(Paid employment, university programs, etc.)*

Description of Activity and School Year

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### **Applicant's Certification**

- I hereby certify that all information submitted on this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that submitting non-factual information will automatically disqualify me from any consideration for a scholarship.
- By submitting this application, I authorize my school to make available to the NAACP information concerning my academic records.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

This application must be completed and submitted in full and be submitted with an official copy of the applicant's most recent high school transcript, a personal statement, and two letters of recommendation.