



Arlington Branch NAACP #7047

&

Willard Woodson “Woody” Brittain, Jr.

Scholarship Program

APPLICATION

2019

Return Completed Application to:

Arlington Branch NAACP

Attn: 2019 Scholarship Committee

P.O. Box 4528

Arlington, Virginia 22204

For additional information:

E-mail: 7047@arlingtonnaacp.com

Criteria for 2019

Purpose

The Arlington Branch NAACP#7047 and Woody Brittain Foundation are committed to furthering the education of graduating high school seniors who have been accepted to an institution of higher learning (university, college or trade school). This application establishes guidelines which each applicant must meet before awarding of a scholarship.

Background/Guidelines

A. With available funds donated by the Arlington Branch NAACP, along with public and private donations and the Brittain Foundation, the Arlington Branch of the NAACP will provide financial support to qualified students who meet established criteria.

B. The Arlington Branch NAACP Scholarship is for one year. *Those awardees who receive the Woody Brittain Scholarship are eligible for renewal of their scholarship for three consecutive years following the original award, subject to academic performance and available funds. All awardees agree to participate in a leadership summit during the month of December.*

C. The number and quantity of awards will depend on applications received and available funds from both the Arlington Branch NAACP and the Brittain Foundation. Typically, the Arlington Branch NAACP awards scholarships in the amount of \$1000.00. The Woody Brittain Scholarship is \$3,000.00.

D. Scholarship awards will be formally announced and presented during Arlington Branch NAACP, 2019 Freedom Fund Banquet in October 2019. Recipients are **highly encouraged** to attend the event.

E. Scholarships will be made payable during the academic year 2019-2020 directly to the students financial account at the college, university or vocational school in the recipient's name.

F. The Executive Committee of Arlington Branch NAACP will select members from the Education Committee and general membership to review, screen and make official recommendations on application awardees.

Qualifying Factors (Changes for 2019-2020 Only)

All students must complete an application that includes the following, but not limited to:

- A. An official (**SEALED**) high school transcript.
- B. Letter of acceptance from an accredited college, university or trade school.
- C. Must have graduated from an Arlington County public school during the 2018-2019 academic year and currently enrolled full-time in an accredited institution of higher learning or a member of a church or civic organization located in Arlington, Virginia. *Note: A letter from the church or civic organization validating your membership is required.*

or

D. Must be an academic year **2019-2020** Arlington County high school senior or a member of a church or civic organization located in Arlington, Virginia. *Note: A letter from the church or civic organization validating your membership is required.*

E. Must have demonstrated outstanding leadership potential, community service and sustained academic performance.

Eligible students must submit a completed application and forward via United States Postal Service to the Arlington Branch NAACP#7047 and email a copy to: 7047@arlingtonnaacp.com with the subject line "2019 Scholarship Committee." Applications **must be received** by the NAACP no later than 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 5, 2019.

LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE RETURNED AND NOT CONSIDERED

Eligibility Criteria

All applicants must be residents of Arlington County, Virginia or an active member of a civic institution/organization, or church in Arlington, Virginia. Each applicant should be committed to promoting the mission and objectives of the NAACP. For additional information go to: <https://www.naacp.org/about-us/>. Each applicant must have a cumulative high school GPA of 2.5 or higher. Those selected will be required keep the Arlington Branch NAACP #7047 and the Brittain Foundation informed of their academic progress for at least 48 months and maintain a minimum 2.5 GPA in college/trade school to be eligible for recurring annual payments up to four (4) years. Recurring payments will be made to students **only** if funds are available from the Brittain Foundation.

Application Process

The scholarship application must be completed with all supporting documents and submitted to the Arlington Branch NAACP. Mail completed application to: ARLINGTON BRANCH NAACP ATTN: 2019 SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE, P.O. Box 4528, Arlington, Virginia 22204. Additional applications may be requested by the email listed above or downloaded at our website at <http://www.arlingtonnaacp.com/scholarship2019.html> Copies of this application may be reproduced and distributed to the public.

Final award decisions will be announced at the NAACP Arlington Branch monthly general membership meeting on Monday, October 21, 2019.

Supporting Documents Required

1. Completed application typed or printed in black ink.
2. Attach personal essay (less than 500 words) on the following topic:
“Why Is Race Relations Important in America”
3. Two letters of recommendation (Counselor or Teacher from Arlington Public School, County Official, Pastor or Leader of a Church, Civic/Non-Profit Organization, Family Physician, or a resident of Arlington County who is not a member of your family and has known you for three or more years.
4. Letter of Admission to an accredited university, college or trade school.
5. Certification and Witness Statement



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Please complete all sections of the application.

Must be received before 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 5, 2019

SECTION 1 – PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name:	Date of Birth:
Gender:	Ethnicity:
Home Mailing Address:	
Cell Phone:	Home Phone:
E-mail Address:	
Member of the NAACP (Yes/No) Circle One Membership Number: _____ Expires: _____ Branch Code: _____ Arlington NAACP Branch Code is: 7047	

Are you the first person to attend college in your immediate family? Yes or No (Circle One)

SECTION 2 – ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Name of College/High School & Address

Name of Advisor/Guidance Counselor _____

Guidance Counselor Telephone & E-mail:

Cumulative High School GPA: _____

Name of College/University (You currently attend or have been accepted to attend):

College Mailing Address: _____

Mailing Address for College Financial Aid Office:

Financial Aid Office Telephone & Email:

College Student Account # _____

Intended College Major: _____

Expected Graduation Date: _____

SECTION 3 –ACTIVITIES AND INTERESTS

A. List and briefly describe your high school extracurricular activities (e.g. memberships in organizations, sports, etc.):

Organization Involved	Position Held	Date of Involvement

Briefly describe your responsibilities: (Use separate piece paper)

B. List volunteer activities in which you have been involved:

Organization	Activity	Date of Involvement

Brief description of how you participated (Use separate piece paper)

C. List honors or academic awards you have received (e.g. scholarly activities, research, etc.):

Award/Honor	Institution/Organization	Date

SECTION 4 – SHORT ESSAY

Attach a Typed (2 Page Min) 500 Word Essay, Double space, Times New Roman, 12 size Font, on the following subject: **“Why Race Relations is Important in America”**

Additional instructions: Include in the essay one paragraph informing us of your personal goals. Explain what sets you apart from others who might be deserving of this award. **You must sign your essay.** Usage of appropriate works cites is required. Any form of plagiarism will cause an application to be disqualified.

CERTIFICATION AND AUTHORIZATION STATEMENT

Your certification serves the same purpose as a legal signature and is binding.

- I certify that I have read and understand all instructions within this application.
- I certify that all the information and statements I have provided in the application are current, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge.
- I certify that my personal essay and the information on my application **represent my own work.**
- If selected for the scholarship, I authorized the Arlington Branch-NAACP #7047 and Woody Brittain Foundation to share my name and photo in their local program and with local and/or national news media outlets covering the NAACP.
- If selected, I agree to notify the Arlington Branch NAACP via e-mail of my intent to attend or not attend the awards ceremony event. Additionally, I agree to submit a one-page personal bio w/ .jpeg photo with proper attire, NO LATER THAN October 14, 2019 **(High School Graduation or Professional Photo Recommended).**
- If selected, I agree to attend a 1-day leadership seminar ***“At-No-Cost”*** hosted by the Arlington Branch NAACP #7047 and the Brittain Foundation hosted during the winter break of 2019 or during the summer break of 2020 in Northern Virginia.
- I understand that withholding information requested on this application, or giving false information, may be grounds for denial of the scholarship.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Witness:

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Relationship to Applicant: _____