

NAACP Chesterfield Branch Scholarship Program

Purpose

To expand young adult engagement and higher educational opportunities, the NAACP Chesterfield Branch, with the help of public and private donations, is committed to furthering the access of financial support for graduating high school seniors who have been accepted to an institution of higher learning. These scholarships are intended to help narrow the opportunity gaps that some Chesterfield students face throughout their educational careers. The NAACP Chesterfield Branch seeks to eradicate racial prejudice and to eliminate racial discrimination in access to education, employment, housing, and civil rights. Chesterfield Branch scholarships are awarded without regard to race, sex, religion, age, disability, or national origin.

NAACP Chesterfield Branch and the Chesterfield community are committed to supporting graduating high school seniors in Chesterfield who have been accepted to an institution of higher learning (university, college, or trade school). The application establishes guidelines that each applicant must meet before being awarded a scholarship.

Overview: As a result of generous donations from the community, the Chesterfield NAACP Scholarship Award program is intended to provide Chesterfield students with financial need, assistance in furthering their higher educational goals. This scholarship will provide *a one-time \$500 scholarship to promising Chesterfield students.*

Eligibility: High school seniors who are residents of Chesterfield County, Virginia. Each applicant should be committed to promoting the mission and objectives of the NAACP. For additional information, please visit our website at: www.chesterfieldnaacp.com. Each applicant must have a cumulative high school GPA of 2.5 or higher and demonstrate financial need.

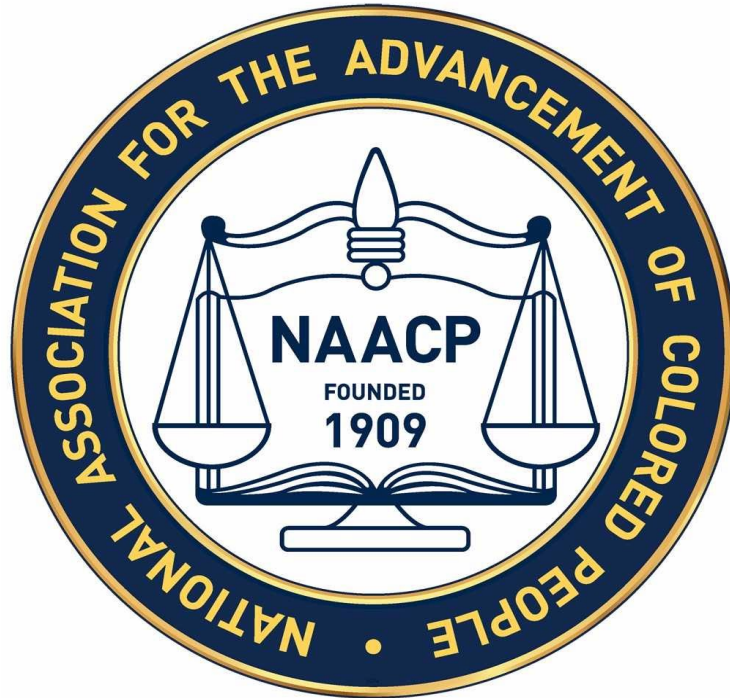
Application Process

The scholarship application must be completed with all supporting documents and submitted to the NAACP Chesterfield Branch by 6 p.m. EST, Friday April 19th, 2024. **LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**

Email the completed application to: chesterfieldnaacpeducation7120@gmail.com. Copies of this application may be distributed to the public.

NAACP Chesterfield Branch Scholarship Program

2024



Return Completed Application to:

chesterfieldnaacpeducation7120@gmail.com

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: 6:00 PM EST, Friday April 19th, 2024.

NAACP Chesterfield Branch 2024 Scholarship Program

Purpose

In an effort to expand young adult engagement and higher educational opportunities, the NAACP Chesterfield Branch, with the help of public and private donations, is committed to furthering the access of financial support for graduating high school seniors who have been accepted to an institution of higher learning. These scholarships, which are either annually renewable or one-time awards, are intended to help narrow the opportunity gaps that some Chesterfield students face throughout their educational careers. The NAACP Chesterfield Branch seeks to eradicate racial prejudice and to eliminate racial discrimination in access to education, employment, housing, and civil rights. NAACP Chesterfield Branch scholarships are awarded without regard to race, sex, religion, age, disability, or national origin.

2024 Available Scholarships

The NAACP Chesterfield Branch is proud to offer the following scholarship opportunity for 2024:

Chesterfield Branch NAACP Scholarship Award

Overview: The Chesterfield Branch NAACP Scholarship provides scholarships for students who are actively involved in the Chesterfield community. **This scholarship is subject to academic performance and available funding.**

Eligibility: High school seniors (or students that are considered seniors due to completing college level courses for example: students that will already have acquired their Associated Degree while in high school) who are residents of Chesterfield County, Virginia or are active members of a civic institution/organization or faith-based organization in Chesterfield, Virginia. Each applicant should be committed to promoting the mission and objectives of the NAACP. Applicants are also required to provide an acceptance letter or email verification that proves the student will attend a college, university or trade school.

For additional information please visit our website at www.chesterfieldnaacp.com. Each applicant must have a cumulative high school GPA of 2.5 or higher.

Part I - Instructions

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Supporting Documents Required

- Completed application **typed or printed in blue or black ink.**
- Attach a personal statement or short essay.
- Two letters of recommendation. One letter must be from a School Counselor, Teacher, or other individual who can attest to academic performance. Another from a County Official, Faith Community Leader, Civic/Non-Profit Organization, Family Physician, Teacher or a resident of Chesterfield County who is not a member of your family and has known you for three or more years. Letters must be sent directly from the recommender to chesterfieldnaacpeducation7120@gmail.com.
- Official High School Transcript (sent directly from your high school counselor to chesterfieldnaacpeducation7120@gmail.com) • OPTIONAL- Statement of difficult circumstances and/or Student Aid Report.

Student Aid Report is required for consideration for priority filing for the Chesterfield NAACP Scholarship.

Part II- Application

Please complete all sections of the application and return by **6:00 p.m. EST on Friday, April 19th, 2024.**

SECTION 1 – PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name	
Date of Birth	
Ethnicity:	
Are you or a family member, a member of the NCAAP? What is your membership number?	Yes: Membership Number: No:
Home Mailing Address	
Cell Phone Number	
Home Phone Number	
Email Address	
Are you submitting a Student Aid Report to document financial need?	Yes: No:

SECTION 2 – ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Name of High School & Address (please note if this is a Specialty Center):

Name of Teacher Advisor/Guidance Counselor:

Guidance Counselor Telephone & E-mail:

Name of College/University/Trade School (please list any school you have applied to or have been accepted at:

SECTION 3 –ACTIVITIES AND INTERESTS

A. List and briefly describe your high school extracurricular activities. List organization involvement, dates of participation, positions held, and responsibilities. (You may attach a resume.) *Example: Math Club, 9th-12th grade, president 1 year, participated in math competitions.*

B. List volunteer activities in which you have been involved. List organization, dates of participation, and responsibilities. (You may attach a resume) *Example: AFAC Volunteer, 2020-2022, helped distribute meals to families.*

C. List employment/internship activity. Specify employer, dates of employment, and duties.

D. List honors or academic awards you have received, the awarding institution, and date of award. (e.g. scholarly activities, research, etc.)

SECTION 4 – PERSONAL STATEMENTS AND ESSAY

Please attach a separate document (a linked Google Doc is preferred, but not required) addressing the questions below. The document should be typed, double spaced, Times New Roman, 12-point Font. Please sign this document (an electronic signature is allowable).

Personal Statement. In a brief statement, please inform us of your personal goals and explain what sets you apart from others who might be deserving of this award.

Short Essay. Write a short essay answering the question below. Your essay should be at least 250 words, and usage of appropriate works must be cited (any form of plagiarism will cause an application to be disqualified):

- *Describe an issue related to racial and ethnic disparities in Chesterfield that is important to you. What steps can be taken by young adults to promote racial equity in their community?*

Optional Statement. If you have faced difficult/extenuating circumstances in your academic or personal journey, you may address those in a brief statement (300 word maximum).

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 authorize the NAACP Chesterfield Branch to share my name and photo in their educational programs and media outlets covering the NAACP.
 - If selected, I agree to attend the NAACP Chesterfield Branch membership meeting for an awards ceremony event **scheduled for August 3rd, 2024, and provide a one-minute speech.** Additionally, I agree to submit a one-page personal biography with a digital photo (JPEG format).
- 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: _____