



West Volusia Branch
DAVID H. STAPLES SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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Dear David H. Staples Scholarship Applicant:

The WV-NAACP Education Committee has always been excited about making education a priority! Applying for the David H. Staples Freedom Fund Scholarship is a great start to a bright and successful future. Our committee looks forward to celebrating your success if you are a David H. Staples Scholarship award winner.

Annually, the West Volusia Branch of the NAACP, recognizes award winners and provides funds for students to use towards their education. Though recipients will be awarded the allotted funds, the monies will be **DIRECTLY** disbursed to the college or university in which the student is **ACCEPTED** and **ENROLLED**.

Please carefully read and review the following guidelines carefully and submit your completed scholarship application prior to or postmarked by **May 4, 2020**.

A completed application must be postmarked to the address below on or before to:

MAY 4TH, 2020

NO SUBMISSIONS ACCEPTED AFTER THE DEADLINE...NO EXCEPTIONS!!

WV-NAACP Education Committee

ATTN: Jacqueline Von Casminski, Education Chair

P.O. Box 385

DeLand, FL 32721

APPLICATION WINDOW: NOVEMBER 1, 2019 – FEBRUARY 17, 2020

APPLICANTS ENCOURAGED TO SUBMIT SCHOLARSHIP MATERIALS EARLY.

All scholarship applicants MUST:

1. Have a 2.5 GPA or higher AND a current “sealed” official high school transcript.
2. Be a current member or have an immediate family member that is a member of the WV-Youth Council or the WV-NAACP Branch.
3. Submit a completed scholarship application postmarked by the **May 4, 2020** deadline.
4. Provide two TYPED letters of recommendation. One recommendation **MUST** be from a current school official. **NOTE:** Letters of recommendation from relatives will disqualify an application for award consideration.
5. Write an original 1500-word essay that answers the question: *What is (are) your motivation(s) for the course of study you plan to pursue, and; how will the NAACP or your community benefit when you achieve your educational goals?* Essays will be considered based upon content, logical progression of ideas, grammar and usage, and clarity. **HANDWRITTEN ESSAYS WILL DISQUALIFY AN APPLICATION FOR AWARD CONSIDERATION.**



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- 6. Exhibit good citizenship and provide two (2) verifications of community service within the last twelve (12) months.
- 7. Provide verification of enrollment in a community college, college, or university as a full-time student; funds **WILL ONLY** be disbursed upon verification.
- 8. Be a U.S. citizen and a legal resident of the County of West Volusia.
- 9. Register and enroll in college or university within one year of the acceptance date.

**NOTE: INCOMPLETE AND/OR LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED!!!
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NO EXCEPTIONS!!!**

Applicant Name _____ Telephone No. _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

High School/College Name: _____ DOB: _____

Father's Name _____ Occupation _____

Mother's Name _____ Occupation _____

Accepted to college/university? YES NO

Institute Name _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

SAT Score: Math _____ English _____ Essay _____

ACT Scores: Math _____ English _____ Reading _____

Academic GPA: _____
Class Rank: _____

COMMUNITY SERVICE: List community service and volunteer activities completed in the last twelve (12) months for which you were not paid. Use additional paper if necessary.

Organization/Special Event	Years of Involvement	Total Hours Volunteered



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LEADERSHIP: List ALL leadership positions held during high school. Use additional paper if necessary.

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ACHIEVEMENTS: List any outstanding achievements received during high school. Use additional paper if necessary.

Organization/Special Event	Years of Involvement	Total Hours Volunteered

Are you a current member of NAACP? YES NO

Please provide the name(s) and address of your immediate NAACP family members:
(father, mother, grandparent, legal guardian etc.)

Name _____
Address _____ City/State/Zip _____
Relationship to Applicant _____

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THE DAVID H. STAPLES SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CHECK LIST	
✓	I HAVE ... <i>A completed application postmarked on or prior to MAY 4, 2020.</i>
	Provided proof that I, or an immediate family member, is a current member of the WV-Youth Council or WV-NAACP Branch.
	Submitted a completed scholarship application postmarked by the deadline.
	Provided two TYPED letters of recommendation from a current school official and another recommendation of my choice who <u><i>is not</i></u> a family member.
	Written an original 1500-word essay that answers the question: “ <i>What is (are) your motivation(s) for the course of study you plan to pursue, and; how will the NAACP or your community benefit when you achieve your educational goals?</i> ”
	Provided proof of a 2.5 GPA or higher AND a current “sealed” official high school transcript.
	Verified good citizenship/character (<i>signed letter(s) from pastor or community leader, etc.</i>).
	Provided two (2) verifications of community service within the last six months.
	Provided verification of enrollment in a college or university as a full-time student.
	Provided the name and mailing address of institution of acceptance. Note: Disbursement is made directly to the student’s educational institution!!!
	Provided proof of U.S. citizenship and legal residency in the County of West Volusia.
	Included other – Proof/Statements of Leadership.
	Included other – Proof/Statements of Achievements.
	Included additional documentation as necessary to support my application.