

# THE WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL NATIONAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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## NATIONAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

The Washington High School National Alumni Association (WHSNAA), comprised of graduates and their progeny, maintains its historic mission of African American educational advancement, while embracing all dimensions of diversity, equity and inclusion. The WHSNAA is recognized as a leading non-profit organization that produces and sustains transformative leaders committed to holistically serving and uplifting historically underserved populations.

In accordance with the above WHSNAA mission and vision, this organization awards, \$1,000 scholarships each year (\$500 during the fall semester and \$500 during the spring semester) to fund persons seeking to advance their education at a SACS-accredited four year institution of higher learning. **In order to be considered for this scholarship, an applicant must meet the following requirements by June 14, 2024:**

- 1. Be a 2024 graduate of Early County High School with a cumulative grade point average (gpa) of 3.0 or higher**
  - Enclose a sealed, official copy of your high school transcript in scholarship packet
- 2. Complete 12 documented hours of public service, during the 2023-2024 academic year, at one or more non-profit organizations committed to serving historically marginalized populations**
  - Enclose sealed, signed letters documenting hours of service completed at local non-profit(s) in scholarship packet
- 3. Be officially accepted to a four-year, SACS-accredited, college or university**
  - Enclose a copy of college acceptance letter in scholarship packet
  - While enrolled at the college/university, the scholarship recipient must officially declare a major; enroll in 15 or more credit hours; complete 32 hours (16 hours each semester) of community service; and maintain a cumulative 3.0 gpa or higher during the 2024-2025 academic year. The scholarship will be awarded in \$500 installments at the beginning of the fall and spring semester, pending the student provides official documentation (college transcript and a signed letter from non-profit organization) that he or she has maintained the requirements above while enrolled at the college/university.
- 4. Provide three (3), one (1) page character references/letters from the following individuals**
  - High School Teacher who has allied academic credentials in applicant's proposed field of baccalaureate study
  - Principal and/or School Administrator
  - Non-Profit Organization Leader/Administrator or Local Elected Official
- 5. Incorporating all grammar and syntax rules learned in high school, write a 500 to 600-word essay: "Considering the WHSNAA mission and vision, why should I be awarded the WHSNAA Scholarship?"**
  - Double-Spaced | Times New Roman Font, Size 12 | 1 Inch Margins
- 6. Attend The WHSNAA Reunion Banquet on July 6, 2024, at 7:30 p.m., in business attire at The JCK Celebration Station on North Main Street in Blakely, Georgia.**

