

Robinson, Pauley & Aldridge Family Reunion Scholarship Fund

The Robinson, Pauley, Aldridge Family Reunion Scholarship Fund established in 1976 announces its scholarship award program to interested GED certificate graduates, college¹ or trade school students who have or will be graduating from high school.

Included in this announcement are:

- Scholarship Program Description
- Nomination Form
- Application Form

The Nomination Form must be verified by your school's principal/counselor dated and signed.

The following must be received by April 15:

- Nomination form with transcript
- Application with essay

Please mail all materials to:

**RPA Family Reunion Scholarship Fund
Scholarship Committee c/o
Mr. Robert T. Robinson
1 Cotswold Court
Owings Mill, MD 21117**

¹ *This excludes graduate students.*

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Scholarship Program Description

PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM

The RPA Family established a Scholarship Fund to assist students who are a descendant of the Robinson, Pauley, Aldridge Family. An immediate² family member of the applicant must have participated in three of the last five family reunions. Students must be pursuing either a college degree or a tradesmen craft from an accredited institution. Students must have been accepted by an accredited institution and a letter of acceptance must be forwarded to the committee. Scholarship application packets will be sent to each chairperson and will be available on the RPA Family Reunion Website. The RPA scholarship will only be awarded provided sufficient contributions are received.

NATURE OF THE SCHOLARSHIP

The scholarship is awarded in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500.00), which can be used to assist the student in the purchase of books, supplies, or any other charges assessed by the institution.

METHOD OF SELECTION

Each year the applicant must complete and submit his/her scholarship application. Applications must be received by April 15 each year. The Scholarship Committee will review all applications and the selected applicant will be notified in the month of June. The scholarship will be awarded in July at the annual family reunion. To be eligible to apply, the student must:

- be an immediate RPA Family Member who has attended three of the last five family reunions;
- be accepted by an accredited institution;
- provide a copy of a transcript;
- have a grade point average of 80 or higher;
- be involved in extracurricular/community service activities;
- have interest in pursuing post-secondary education or tradesmen craft;
- submit an essay; and
- Be age 24 or younger.

A rating scale is used to rank application forms and essay for each applicant. Applicants selected by the scholarship committee will be scheduled for an interview. Each member of the interview team will complete a rating form for each candidate interviewed. After discussion of the ratings, each candidate is given a rank. One of the five highest ranked will be selected. If for some reason the

² For the purposes of this scholarship immediate family means mother, father, siblings, and grandparents.

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scholarship is not awarded to one of the selected students, it will be awarded to the next student in rank. Any student falsifying information or plagiarizing the essay will be disqualified. All decisions of the Scholarship Committee are final.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

The scholarship is funded by family members attending the annual family reunion in the amount of ten dollars (\$10.00) or other donations.

MENTORING OF RECIPIENTS

Each scholarship recipient is assigned a mentor from the RPA Scholarship Committee. It is the mentor's responsibility to:

- Initiate periodic contacts (oral/written) with the assigned recipient.
- Suggest ways to overcome significant obstacles.
- Refer student to appropriate resource persons/agencies when necessary.
- Model behaviors which promote personal and professional development.
- Report to the committee periodically about the recipient.

Robinson, Pauley & Aldridge (RPA) Family Reunion Scholarship Fund Application

Date: _____ Last 4 digits of Social Security _____

Name: _____
(first, middle, and last)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Expected Graduation Date: _____

Grade Point Average: _____

Career Goals: _____

College Choice: _____

Special Interest: _____

Briefly describe co-curricular or community service activities in which you have engaged.

On a separate sheet of paper explain, the intent of the Brown v. Board of Education decision. What was the impact on education of African Americans? Did it succeed?