

2026 Alumni Ricco Ross Theatre Scholarship

Overview

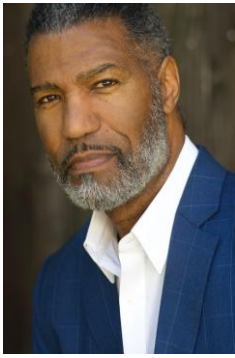
The Ricco Ross Theatre Scholarship was established to support high school students of color who plan to pursue a college degree in any theatrical career. This scholarship is generously provided by Ricco Ross, acclaimed actor and South Plantation High School alumnus, in recognition of the importance of representation, opportunity, and access within the performing arts. By supporting students as they pursue higher education in theater, Mr. Ross affirms the power of diverse voices, stories, and perspectives to shape the future of the performing arts.

The scholarship is open to students pursuing studies in performance, technical theater, design, directing, stage management, theater education, arts administration, or any related theatrical field. It honors students who demonstrate passion, commitment, and potential in theater, whether their work is seen onstage or behind the scenes. To qualify, candidates must:

- 👉 Male or Female student of color.
- 👉 Be an active participant in the SPHS theatre program (Minimum 2 years of experience).
- 👉 Actor, stagehand, lighting and/or tech.
- 👉 Maintain a minimum unweighted GPA of 2.5
- 👉 Enrolling full-time in a college or university for Fall 2026
- 👉 Provide a 500-word essay on “How the SPHS Theatre Program affected your life as a high school student.”
- 👉 Submit their applications, including their essay, in a sealed envelope to Director Harris no later than 4pm, Friday, May 8, 2026.

The scholarship winners will be announced at the Drama Banquet date TBA.

Through this scholarship, Ricco Ross gives back to the school community that helped shape his journey, empowering future artists to pursue their own paths in theater. He wishes the best of luck to all.



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Scholarship Application

Applicant's Name: _____

Home Address: _____
Number and Street Apartment

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Telephone :(____) _____

Cell Phone:(____) _____

E-Mail: _____

University Attending _____

ESSAY:

“How the SPHS Theatre Program affected your life as a high school student.”

QUALIFICATION CHECKLIST

- I am a student of color.
- I am an eligible graduating senior at SPHS
- I have been an active participant in the SPHS Drama Program for a minimum of two years.
- I have a minimum unweighted GPA of 2.5
- My core GPA is _____

SUBMISSION CHECKLIST

- Scholarship application form
- Essay
- Submit the application and essay in a sealed envelope marked Ricco Ross SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION and your name, to Noel Harris. Deadline for submission, 4 pm, Monday, May 8, 2026.

APPLICANT SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____