
**African-American/Caribbean Education Association, Inc Scholarship Fund
Proudly Announces 2017**

- *The Mildred Collins Nursing/Health Science/Medicine Scholarship*
- *The William A. Samber, Sr. Aviation/Mathematics and Science Scholarship*
- *The Honorable Ernestine Washington Library Science/Language Arts Scholarship*

The African-American/Caribbean Education Association, Inc will honor these beloved members in celebration of their outstanding contributions to the advancement of the community and all its people. The scholarships are representative of the fields of endeavor in which our honorees have achieved outstanding accomplishments. We inspire our young people to emulate their dedication, service, and commitment, in their quest to make a difference on life's road to the benefit of us all. [If applying for more than one scholarship you must submit a separate application for each.]

Eligibility:

Qualified students will be granted an award based on academic merit, SAT score, a minimum of 200 community service hours, essay, interview, and 3 letters of recommendation—2 validating community service, 1 validating character and leadership. **Please see Eligibility requirements.**

Amount of Award:

The amount of the award to any recipient shall be \$1000 -\$2500. The award will be given to the recipient directly, in one sum. The scholarship will be awarded upon fulfilling eligibility criteria, graduating high school, showing targeted school's bursar receipt of enrollment and registration of courses for the 2017 Fall Term. If you wish award to be given directly to designated school, a Waiver must be requested and a Verification/Validation form letter and registration of courses submitted.

Selection for Award:

The selection of an applicant is dependent upon the Scholarship Committee's assessment of each applicant's application and that applicant meeting the guidelines for award.

How to Apply:

Qualified students meeting the eligibility requirements should apply. Obtain an application by doing any one of the following:

1. Downloading application from website
2. E-mailing us for an application
3. Writing to our PO Box to make a request

Applicants will then follow the directions provided. **APPLICATION DEADLINE: Received on or before Monday, May 1, 2017. We do not accept Postmarked, Emailed or Faxed Applications—Mailed Hard Copy Only.**

How to Support the Scholarship Fund

To support the work of the AACEA INC organization in providing scholarships to outstanding young scholars, please *make donations payable to the AACEA INC Scholarship Fund*. You may also make your tax deductible contribution online at our website or mail your donation. All contact information follows:

Contact Information:

Website: www.aaceainc.com

E-Mail: aaceainc@yahoo.com

Telephone/Fax: 718-949-6733

Mailing: AACEA INC—Attn: Scholarship Fund, P. O. Box 1224, Valley Stream, NY 11582-1224

HONORING BELOVED AACEA INC MEMBERS



Mildred Collins
Nursing/
Health Science/ Medicine
Scholarship



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**African-American/Caribbean Education Association, Inc.
(AACEAINC)
Requirements of AACEAINC Scholarship Eligibility**

***This scholarship is based on outstanding academic achievement and community service (200 minimum service hours). Only Eligible High School Students Should Apply.**

Eligibility

- Deadline: Monday, May 1, 2017--Application must be received on or before May 1. Postmarked applications are not acceptable, and emailed or faxed applications are not acceptable.
- 90 average, suggested minimum, in the five academic subject areas that follow. (The Scholarship Committee may evaluate a lesser grade point average based on academic record, exemplary community service, letters of recommendation, courses in progress, resume, and other appropriate factors relevant to eligibility).
- 4 years of college preparatory courses in these 5 academic subject areas: 1) Mathematics—for example: Algebra, Intermediate Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry, Calculus; 2) English Language Arts; 3) Science courses (with Lab requisites) for example: General Science, Earth Science, Biology, Chemistry, Physics; 4) Social Studies; and 5) Foreign Language (this is a four year sequence; not two years of one language and two years of another, or any combination of a language, etc.). Honors and Advanced Placement courses are welcome but optional.
- SAT score 1790, suggested minimum. Applicant will provide copy of official report that was sent from College Board with full composite of verbal, math, and writing scores. Unacceptable are school reports or any deviations thereof. (The Scholarship Committee may evaluate a lesser SAT score based on academic record, exemplary community service, letters of recommendation, courses in progress, resume, and other appropriate factors relevant to eligibility).
- 200 Community Service Hours, minimum, performed during high school tenure. Service hours must be validated with 2 reference letters as part of the 3 letters required.
- Preferred that applicant has given community service in the field of the designated scholarship during the course of his/her high school tenure; however, earned community service hours outside of chosen field are acceptable.
- Proof of college acceptance with letter from targeted school to be attended August/September 2017 (failure to graduate will forfeit scholarship), copy of paid bursar receipt and fall registration of courses or enrollment certification, obtained from Registrar's Office of targeted school. Verification/Validation form letters are submitted only by a candidate requesting Waiver.
- U.S. Citizen of African American or Caribbean Heritage
- LETTERS OF SUPPORT: Please read carefully, this information will greatly affect weight of candidate's application and assessment by scholarship committee. 3 letters of reference
Two (2) letters of reference from community based organization or provider where applicant performed service hours. These letters are to provide information regarding applicant's date of service, number of hours earned, description of service performed, applicant's quality of service, and any information recommender believes to be of relevance.
One (1) letter is "preferred" from professional in the applicant's chosen field of study related to the scholarship checked-off in application or from school faculty member. This letter is to attest to applicant's leadership, level of commitment, and character.

No relatives may submit a letter of recommendation. All letters of recommendation must be provided on organization letterhead with title of writer.

- Proof of Birth/Naturalization with copy of official certificate and copy of official Social Security Card. Applicant must present copies of these documents at time of personal interview, if selected for interview.
- Applicants must sign a promissory note to "Pass It On" and help others along life's road at time of interview, if selected for interview.
- Personal Interview with Scholarship Committee in New York, if selected for interview.
- Scholarships are not limited to New York State residents; however, all candidates must be available to sit for personal interview, with no additional costs to AACEAINC; and if awarded, must be physically present to receive award at banquet ceremony or forfeit scholarship. Students may use scholarship at any Accredited College or University.



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"Working to better the education of our children"

*The Mildred Collins
Nursing/ Health Science/ Medicine Scholarship*

BIOGRAPHY

1918-2012

Mildred Collins was born in St. Kitts. She received an excellent education and her mother instilled in her that she must always share and help others. She joined the Girl Guides in 1931 where she practiced what her mother had taught. Because of her great desire to help the sick, she joined the Red Cross. There she learned how to care for the infirmed and derived from this experience her niche in life. Her love for academics began at the Basseterre Girls' school where she excelled and demonstrated, early on, her scholarship and brilliance. Ms. Collins' love for service started her on the way to an outstanding Nursing Career in 1942, when she began her official training at the Cunningham Hospital, now renamed the Joseph N. Frances General Hospital. She would continue her studies obtaining the General Midwife Certificate from the Central Midwives Board of England. With grounded nursing credentials she began her career at the Basseterre Sugar Factory Medical Center where she was the Nurse in charge from 1948-1957. In 1957 she was granted the Obstetrical Nursing and Public Health "Scholarship" at the International Cooperation Administration of Puerto Rico. To answer the call of a nurse's shortage, she moved to St. Thomas, United States Virgin Islands to lend support. Her work and dedication to patients afforded her the House Supervisor position at the Knud-Hansen Memorial Hospital where she went on to become the Acting Head Nurse on the Medical Surgical Unit. Having received letters of meritorious service, she came to New York in 1959 with impeccable nursing credentials. She passed the New York State Board, received her license as a Registered Nurse by the New York State Education Department. She joined the staff of the prestigious New York Hospital-Cornell University Medical College serving as a nurse specialist in obstetrical, gynecological, medical, and urological surgery. Ms. Collins never forgot her homeland. Working tirelessly, she earned extra hours to purchase modern medical equipment that was used at New York Hospital. She sent this equipment to her native Cunningham Hospital in St. Kitts. She also purchased suction machinery for stomach operations and standby blood pressure equipment. Her patients at New York Hospital went on to donate equipment to this cause in her name. For the 50th Anniversary of Girl Guides in 1981, she personally donated toys to the organization and sponsored many food drives. Ms. Collins used to help St. Croix and her native St. Kitts by returning home, when able, to nurse senior citizens in their last days and young children in need of pediatric care. In Southeast Queens one can view a wall monument outside the Laurelton, Long Island Rail Road station, where her name appears with other icons that provided leadership in helping to build the community. Her community activism continued throughout her lifetime, and up until her 93rd birthday, in spite of becoming bedridden and totally blind. Giving marching orders from her bed was a testament to her miraculous spirit and fortitude to making a difference. A devoted AACEAINC board member, she proudly served the community and established the AACEAINC Adopt a School Program. In the last decade of her life, she advocated for improved hospital and health care, veterans' rights, transportation and zoning, and the beautification of the community. Her many causes found her chronicled in the New York Times, the Daily News, the Times/Ledger, and the Laurelton Times. During her lifetime, Mildred Collins, AKA, Mildred Scott Collins was honored with many awards for meritorious service and community activism. She received the prestigious Medal of Honor from St. Kitts Governor-General, Sir Cuthbert Sebastian, merit awards from the New York Hospital, the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc and the Top Ladies of Distinction (Queens Chapter), "the "Senior of the Year" award from Councilman James Sanders, the "Community Activist Award" from the Elmer H. Blackburne Democratic Club, and numerous others. Our beloved "Mother Mildred" was a proud Moravian woman, sound in her Christian principles and always willing to help somebody. Debilitated in her last days, she endured without complaining, with a smile on her face, and with a strong faith in God. Two months short of her 94th birthday, she succumbed still giving back setting for us a good example and providing us with heartfelt nurturing, wisdom, and guidance. She leaves a legacy of humanitarianism to be venerated by her selflessness and willingness to graciously lend support, wherever needed.



1918-2011

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***The William Samber, Sr.
Aviation/ Math and Science Scholarship***

Biography

William Samber, Sr. had roots emanating from Key West, Florida where he attended Frederick Douglas Elementary School. An apt pupil eager to be at the head of his class, even in these early years, he adhered to his mother's educational values to learn; and he was determined to reach his full potential. Raised in the church and cherishing his mother's Christian teachings, service to others was instilled in him. Early on, he strived for excellence and was desirous of making a difference. In 1933 the family moved to New York City where he attended James Fenimore Junior High School. Striving to be all that he could be and living up to his mother's expectations, he graduated as the Class Salutatorian. As a DeWitt Clinton High School student, he excelled in all his subjects but was a master of mathematics making perfect scores on Mathematics Regents Examinations. His dedication to the needy found him majoring in Sociology at the City College of New York, where he earned his first college baccalaureate degree in 1942. But something happened in the interim of his pursuit for higher education, along came the War. He volunteered for the United States Army Air Force and scored 100% on the Air Force Entrance exam. He was sent to Tuskegee Army Air Field in Alabama and became one of the "Original" Tuskegee Airmen who served in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations during World War II. To help enlisted men taking correspondence courses while in combat, he taught mathematics and other courses to them so that they could complete requirements to receive their high school diplomas. He later went on to continue his education at the State University of New York, which helped him start his education career as a teacher at George Westinghouse High School. He later went on to fulfill all requirements to become an administrator. He served as an Assistant Principal at Halsey Jr. High School and later became Principal at Roland Hayes Intermediate School 291. A brilliant scholar, Mr. Samber earned a Masters degree from Queens College in Guidance Counseling and a Masters degree in Educational Administration from Columbia University. He also earned a Professional Diploma from Fordham University and a \$5,000 scholarship to conduct a special training group in technology and open classrooms. Over the years Mr. Samber tirelessly tutored high school students who failed algebra and plane geometry; trained paraprofessionals to work effectively with math teachers; was the Institutional Representative of Boy Scout Troop 422 at the Calvary AME Zion Church; was a facilitator of Religious Education and member of the Jamaica Sunday School Association, was a co-founder of the Retired Principals Group, served as Mentor and Usher on the Male Usher Board at Greater Allen AME Cathedral where he was affectionately known as the "Sunday School Dad"; and was a recognized hero of the community leading many Veteran's Day Parades as Grand Marshall. On March 29, 2007, William Samber, Sr. was honored for his heroism and bravery as an "Original" Tuskegee Airman receiving the Congressional Gold Medal of Honor at the Nation's Capitol. He served as Education Captain to AACEAINC inculcating the importance of service and leadership. Until the time of his passing in November 2011, two weeks short of his 93rd birthday, he remained active and faithfully spoke to young people at schools, churches, civics, and CBOs advocating the pursuit of excellence and service to the community. A man of distinction and a great humanitarian, he was recognized by elected officials and featured in newspaper articles and television programs. During his lifetime, he was the recipient of various honors and awards from the community, Greater Allen AME Church, and the Aviation programs at York College and Dowling College. However, his greatest reward was in knowing that he had helped somebody along life's road to a better tomorrow.



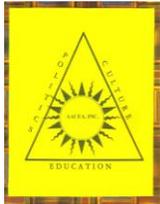
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"Working to better the education of our children"

***Hon. Ernestine Washington
The Library Science/ English Language Arts
Scholarship***

Biography

Honorable Ernestine Washington has said, "I am a child of my small, rural Gullah village background which I credit being as great a part of my up-bringing as my parents, school and church." In her small village of Sol Legare, James Island in the County of Charleston, S.C., everyone was family. The community practice of loving and caring for each other instilled in me, character, a commitment of caring and serving unselfishly. She attended public schools where she stayed on the Honor Roll and was inducted into the National Honor Society. A bright young scholar, she won a full four year scholarship to South Carolina State College in Orangeburg and graduated in 1954. Her brilliance brought her to New York where she was accepted at the prestigious Columbia University and earned an MS degree in Library Science. Her desire to return home fell short when she experienced unusual racial practices bringing her back to New York. Her enthusiasm and exemplary work awarded her the position of Branch Manager (Supervisory Librarian) becoming the "first" African-American to achieve this level in the Queens Borough Library System, as well as, the first Children's Librarian. She was responsible for overall supervision of staff, community relations, internal operations of the agency, budget, books, programs and services, and material needs of the community. She also worked in the New York City school system where she was responsible for teaching classes in library use and research, outlining expenditures on various types of materials, and writing proposals for federal funding. To her credit, the RIF (Reaching Is Fundamental) proposal was successfully awarded to her school. Her work would continue through the years and she became known as the Honorable Ernestine Washington as a result of her community activism and work on Community School Board 29, where she was overwhelmingly elected. She was the co-founder of the Laurelton Theatre of Performing Arts and the Black Librarians Caucus of New York. She presently serves as Chair of Social Concern, as Officer of Top Ladies of Distinction, Queens Empire Chapter, as Officer of the St. Albans Human Resource Center Headstart Board of Directors; and she is a member of various community organizations. She was a champion against the Multiplex Theater planned for the Springfield Gardens community and involved with Queens educators that gave students shares of common stock. She has been recognized for her exemplary service to the community by the Metro Eagles' Sports Club, the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Veterans Administration Hospital Montrose, New York, and recognized by Dr. Leroy T. Walker, President of the U.S. Olympic Committee for supporting America's Olympic athletes at the Centennial Olympic Games. Honorable Ernestine Washington serves as the Education and Politics Chair of the African-American/Caribbean Education Association. A woman of great warmth and selflessness, she lives and practices these words everyday: "It's a great pleasure serving the people of Queens and wherever I can be of service".



African-American/Caribbean Education Association, Inc.
(ACEA)
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
APPLICATION 2017

African-American/Caribbean Education Association, Inc (ACEA) Scholarship Program Application
Note. This application is to be used to apply to one of the three scholarships being offered.
Applicants may not apply for more than one scholarship. Application is to be mailed as instructed.
SEE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS
(Only Eligible Students Should Apply)

Type Information

Applicant's Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ E-mail _____

Phone: _____ Cell Phone _____ Age: _____ Birth date: _____

Social Security #: Last 4 digits only: _____ Graduation Date: _____

Current High School: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Are you a U.S. citizen? Yes _____ No _____ Are you a naturalized citizen? Yes _____ No _____

How do you identify yourself? Check one: I am African-American _____ I am Caribbean _____

I am applying for the ___ Scholarship. Check one—[You may only apply for one.]

_____ ***The Mildred Collins---* Nursing/Health Science/Medicine Scholarship**

_____ ***The Honorable Ernestine Washington---* Library Science/Language Arts Scholarship**

_____ ***The William A. Samber, Sr. ---* Aviation/Mathematics and Science Scholarship**

Will you be a full-time student in the Fall Term of **2017** ? Yes _____ No _____

How are you planning to use your scholarship? Explain: _____

Full Name of Parent (s) and Address (es) or Legal Guardian

Father: _____

Mother: _____

5. Attachments 3:

(1) copy of acceptance letter

(2) copy of your confirmation card of attendance

(3) copy of paid remittance to hold seat at school you will attend in the Fall

6. Attach Essay—please reference the biography of the Honoree, in whose name appears the scholarship you are applying.

Compose a thoughtful statement that will enable us to learn more about you, your goals, and reasons for pursuing higher education. In no more than two (2) type-written pages, double-spaced in Times New Roman 12 point font, write an essay on:

"How I aspire to emulate the attributes and ideals of ___"

Mildred Collins or Hon. Ernestine Washington or William Samber Sr

[This is the scholarship you checked with the name and field of the honoree.]

Your essay should discuss how your qualities, dreams, and personal commitment reflect your interests as that of the honoree; and how you believe you can contribute to your chosen field, your community, and society.

7. Attach 3 letters of Recommendation (3 attachments)

One (1) letter is "preferred" from professional in the applicant's chosen field of study related to the scholarship checked-off in application or from school faculty member. This letter is to attest to applicant's leadership, level of commitment, and character.

Two (2) letters of reference from community based organization or provider where applicant has performed community service. Review eligibility requirements. These letters are to provide information regarding applicant's date of service, number of hours earned, description of service performed, applicant's quality of service, and any information recommender believes to be of relevance.

(No relatives may submit a letter of recommendation.)

All letters of recommendation must be provided on organization letterhead and signed with the writer's title.

**Questions concerning this application may be directed to the following:*

E-mail: aaceainc@yahoo.com

Telephone: 718-949-6733

DEADLINE: All Applications are due on or before Monday, May 1, 2017. Postmarks are not acceptable.

We do not accept emailed or faxed applications. MAIL APPLICATION TO:

AACEAINC Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 1224, Valley Stream, NY 11582-1224

Certification

I hereby affirm that the information provided in this scholarship application is accurate in all respects; that I understand the award is contingent upon my enrollment in the accredited institution listed in this application and understand that the following documents will be required as proof of enrollment at my designated school:

1) Copy of official bursar's receipt or enrollment certification and 2) Copy of Registration of Courses, OR a Verification/Validation form letter required only of candidates requesting Waiver and Registration of Courses; that funds will be used toward the cost of my education; and that I will be required to sign a promissory note "Passing It On". I further understand that if I fail to continue to meet the award criteria, relevant to eligibility requirements and being present for Awards Ceremony, a non-negotiable requirement, I will forfeit scholarship and/or be required to repay the award.

Print Name

Signature

Date

African-American/Caribbean Education Association, Inc. (AAACEAINC)
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM 2017

APPLICATION
ORGANIZATION OF PAPERS CHECK-OFF

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Directions: Please use this check-off according to the number and the described attachment to be certain that you have included all items needed for review of your application.

Attachments: Ten (10) and Official Transcript Sent by College Advisor (#4)

Attachment Number	Description	Check
1.	Copy of official SAT report from College Board with verbal, math, and writing scores	_____
2.	Copy of resume showing 2 references	_____
3.	Copy of courses being taken in senior year (those in progress and to be taken)	_____
	<i>(This is not an attachment)</i>	
4	*** College Advisor notified to submit Official Transcript of grades 9-11 inclusive of senior year 1st semester final grades with given stamped, addressed envelop to Scholarship Committee.	_____
5.	Three (3) attachments:	YES _____
	1. Copy of Acceptance Letter	_____
	2. Copy of your confirmation card of attendance	_____
	3. Copy of paid remittance to hold seat at targeted school in Fall	_____
6.	Attach Essay of the Honoree in whose name appears the scholarship you are applying—Two typewritten pages, double-spaced in Times Roman 12 point font.	_____
7.	Attach 3 Letters of Reference:	YES _____
	1. One (1) letter from professional in chosen field of endeavor or school faculty member	
	2. Two (2) letters validating community service	

Total Attachments 10 _____ Yes (check) and Official Transcript sent by College Advisor _____ YES (check)