



**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.