

SCHOLARSHIP

The Jacksonville Chapter of the NAACP is a human rights organization. The NAACP works at the National, Regional, and Local level to secure civil rights through advocacy for supportive legislation.

The Jacksonville Branch awards a scholarship to a qualified graduating senior who will attend an accredited college, post-secondary school or university the following fall semester.

The Jacksonville NAACP gives the award for academic achievement in memory of Eric Woods. The family of Eric Woods began a scholarship in his name and the Jacksonville NAACP has continued it. Eric Woods was an African-American student at Jacksonville High School who tragically died as a consequence of an accidental shooting. The story of Eric's life and death reminds us of the need for our community to help all young people by raising youth awareness of the necessity to engage in safe behavior.

The value of the NAACP Scholarship (2002) is \$500.

The applicant selected will receive the monetary award upon the successful completion of the first semester of college and confirmation of full-time enrollment for the second semester.

All students must demonstrate financial need based on the federal poverty guidelines.

- 1. All students must be a US citizen or an eligible non-citizen.
- 2. An accredited post-secondary school must have already accepted the student.
- 3. All students must submit one letter of recommendation from a



Application

Full name:
Address:City/State/Zip
Phone:email: (optional)
Parent/Guardian name:
Parent/Guardian address:
Academic Information
Include an official high school transcript with:
GPA: and Class Rank:
ACT or SAT score if available
Name of any other high school attended
Number of years completed there: GPA
Extracurricular information:
Athletic teams you participated with:
Years you participated
School clubs/organizations/projects you participated with, in school



Number of years you participated in group (s)

Community and School Involvement

1. Write <u>one</u> paragraph that lists any other activities you have participated in the community and in church and the roles you played in those activities while you have been in high school.

2. Include any awards or recognitions you have received from a community or sport group or from a church in this paragraph.

3. Have you been a volunteer? Tell about any volunteer service you have performed in a <u>second</u> paragraph.

Personal Statement

Please submit a typed personal statement at least one page long but no longer than two pages that describes the personal, family, community, religious and/or the educational influences you believe are related to academic success for any high school student? Tell how these influences helped you to succeed.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Ruth Linear at jaxnaacp@hotmail.com



Income Eligibility Guidelines

Applicant must demonstrate financial need based on the following scale:

Size of Family Unit	Maximum Income
1 Person	\$16,755
2 People	\$22,695
3 People	\$28,635
4 People	\$34,575
5 People	\$40,515
6 People	\$46,455
7 People	\$52,395

I declare that my family meets the income guidelines as written above for the year 2016 7.

Parent/Guardian signature X

Income guidelines come from national NAACP Scholarship requirements online, $\underline{www.naacp.org}$ (03/2015)



Application Checklist

1.	complete application on page 2
2.	include a High School transcript with your application
3.	write one paragraph as described on page 3 about your Community and School Involvement
4.	write one paragraph as described on page 3 about your Volunteer activity
	type a separate page giving your personal statement as described on page 3
	include one letter of recommendation from a high school teacher
7.	include parent/guardian signature on Income Eligibility statement on page 4

Return all pages to Mrs. Ruth Linear by April 7, 2017 or mail all pages to: Jacksonville NAACP, P O Box 1085, Jacksonville, IL 62651.