



Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Guidelines



North Carolina Association of Educators (NCAE) and the North Carolina Foundation for Public School Children (NCFPSC)

The Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Scholarship was established in 1992 by the North Carolina Association of Educators Minority Affairs Commission under the auspices of the Human and Civil Rights Commission. It continues in partnership with the North Carolina Foundation for Public School Children. Scholarship awards are based on the amount of money received annually through donations and the Martin Luther King Jr events.

Guidelines

Applicants must be **NORTH CAROLINA RESIDENTS** enrolled in a public high school in their senior year. Criteria for selection include character, community involvement, and scholastic achievement. Individuals meeting these qualifications may access the application form one of three ways.

- <http://www.NCAE.org>
- <http://www.NCFPSC.org>
- a school counselor's office

The applicant must send a completed application package that consists of:

- 1) A completed application form
 - 2) Resume' of accomplishments, extra-curricular activities, scholarships, affiliations, organizations
 - 3) Essays:
 - a) Please tell how the philosophies and ideals of Dr. King influence your life (1 page or less, typed and double-spaced using standard font style and size of 12).
 - b) Why do you feel you deserve this scholarship and what is your need for financial assistance? (1 page or less, typed and double-spaced using standard font style and size of 12)
 - 4) An official transcript must be embossed, signed, and sealed with a cumulative unweighted GPA of at least 2.5
 - 5) Two letters of recommendation: (Signed letters of recommendation must be given to the applicant in a sealed envelope)
 - a) one (1) letter must be from applicant's school personnel (recommendation must be on school letterhead)
 - b) one (1) letter must be from applicant's community
- 2) **Deadline for all required materials must be postmarked no later than the first Monday in February. The applicant is responsible for supplying all materials required for consideration for the scholarship as one complete package. Mail the completed application to:**

**NCAE Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship
c/o Human and Civil Rights Commission
Derevana Leach
700 South Salisbury Street
Raleigh, NC 27601**

Electronic materials will NOT be accepted and should be mailed and postmarked no later than the first Monday in February.

- 3) A screening committee will review the applications and select winners. The recipients will be notified by late March and later recognized by NCAE during the each students' school awards day program.
- 4) The scholarship money will only be distributed during the fall and spring semesters of the freshman year. The scholarship recipient must notify NCAE by mailing an official proof of enrollment at the college/university of his/her choice (such as an official letter and/or class schedule). This proof of enrollment must include the student's identification number as well as provide the college/university's mailing address in order to receive the scholarship money. NCAE shall assume the responsibility of forwarding the scholarship money directly to the college/university. The applicant must notify NCAE of an enrollment in a college/university of his/her choice by October 31 of the fall semester and January 31 of the spring semester. The money will remain in the Scholarship fund if the deadlines are not met.

To be the voice of educators in North Carolina that unites, organizes and empowers members to be advocates for education professionals, public education and children.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Application Form

This scholarship is awarded by the North Carolina Association of Educators and the North Carolina Foundation for Public School Children to North Carolina high school seniors who plan to continue their education. Funds are to be used during the freshman year.



PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Parents/Guardian Name _____

Preferred Telephone Number: _____ Age: _____

COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Name of Institution	Accepted / Applied / Pending	Intended Major

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Name of person(s) financing your college education (if other than self): _____

Combined Total Annual Income: _____ Number of siblings in college other than self: _____

To be considered for this scholarship, please include the following items as a packet and mail postmarked by the first Monday in February.

1. Resume' of accomplishments, extra-curricular activities, scholarships, affiliations, organizations, honors and awards, leadership and work experiences. *(Do not use acronyms in listing your affiliations and organizations.)*
2. Essays:
 - a) Please tell how the philosophies and ideals of Dr. King influence your life (1 page or less, typed and double-spaced using standard font style and size of 12).
 - b) Why do you feel you deserve this scholarship and what is your need for financial assistance? (1 page or less, typed and double-spaced using standard font style and size of 12)
3. School counselor must provide an official, embossed and signed transcript
4. Two letters of recommendation: (***Signed*** letters of recommendation must be given to the applicant in a sealed envelope)
 - c) one (1) letter must be from applicant's school personnel (recommendation must be on ***school letterhead***)
 - d) one (1) letter must be from applicant's community

We, the undersigned, declare the information we have provided for this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent's/Guardian's Signature: _____ Date: _____