

CONCERNED BLACK WOMEN (CBW) OF CALVERT COUNTY, INC.



2015 HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

CBW Scholarships are available to 2015 graduating public High School Seniors. Scholarship applications may be obtained from (1) your school career counselor or (2) visit www.concernedblackwomencalvertcounty.org, or (3) write to CBW at the address below, or (4) telephone CBW at 443.550.1229.

Our Goal:

TO PROVIDE ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS TO PERSONS OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN HERITAGE TO PURSUE AN EDUCATION AT FOUR YEAR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING.

Scholarship applications will be judged in five categories: (1) academic record, (2) financial need (3) written essay, (4) school and community involvement and (5) organization of application package to include all requested information.

Please return completed Application with all attachments to:

Concerned Black Women
Attention: Scholarship Committee
P. O. Box 927
Prince Frederick, MD 20678

Postmark Deadline to return application: Saturday, April 11, 2017

Concerned Black Women (CBW) of Calvert County, MD, Inc.
2015 Graduating High School Seniors
Scholarship Application

CBW is offering a total of four (4) scholarships to African American High School Seniors who are graduating from Calvert County Public High Schools and will be attending Institutions of Higher Learning. A two thousand dollar (**\$2,000.00**) scholarship will be given to one (1) student at each of the four (4) public high schools in Calvert County, Maryland. Scholarships will be awarded based on scholastic achievement, financial need, written essay and school and community involvement. As part of the application process, students must be interviewed in person, if requested. **Applicants must provide evidence of acceptance to a four (4) year Institution of Higher Learning.** The scholarship funds are sent directly to the educational institution and placed in the student's account. The scholarship can be used to pay for tuition, fees, books or any collegiate needs.

SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA:

The applicant must:

1. Be accepted for enrollment in a four year College or University on a full time basis.
2. Attach a Letter of Acceptance from the college/university that they will attend.
3. Have a GPA of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale.
4. Submit a completed application package postmarked no later than Saturday, April 11, 2015 for consideration. Incomplete packages will not be processed.

The completed package must be typed and include all of the following items:

- a. Answers to all Scholarship Application questions.
 - b. Two (2) letters of recommendation. Letters may be written by a counselor, school administrator, pastor or teacher and placed in a **sealed** envelope with their signature across the sealed envelope.
 - c. A written essay (maximum 500 words)
 - d. A wallet size photograph of yourself
 - e. Academic Records
5. Interview with the CBW Selection Committee if requested, and at time of interview must bring their 1) photo identification and 2) school identification.

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2015 Scholarship Application**

Scholarship Application

PERSONAL DATA

Applicant's Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Home phone Number: _____ Cell phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Parent (s)/ Guardian(s) Name: _____

List following:

Name of current High School: _____

Name of current High School Principal: _____

Name of current Counselor: _____

Provide name of the institution of higher learning that you plan to attend:

Attach a copy of your letter of acceptance to the institution that you plan to attend.

What is your Potential Major?

What are your occupational goals upon graduation from the Institution of Higher Learning? State in no more than fifty (50) words.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT/ SCHOLARSHIP

Please submit an official high school transcript for eleventh grade and 1st three quarters of 12th grade. If SAT or ACT scores are not included on this transcript, request a set of official scores from College Board or ACT.

Give Your Semester/Quarter Grade Average:

School year 2013 _____; School year 2014 _____

SAT Score: Math _____ Verbal _____ Date Taken: _____

Total ACT Score _____

Class Rank _____ of _____

Provide school involvement in the following if applicable (Please check all that apply.)

- Honor Society
- Class Organizations
- Student Government
- Special Clubs (English, Science, Dance, Newspaper, etc.)
- Other (Specify)

Have you held office in any of the above? Yes No

If yes, please specify:

Special Recognition/Awards (Please list):

Community Service/Involvement:

Additional Relevant Information:

FINANCIAL NEED

Please provide Parent/Guardian Income Information:

Family Size: Males _____ Females _____ Children _____ Total _____

Total Monthly Income: \$ _____

Percentage of Source: Employment _____ Public Assistance _____ other _____

Please provide additional relevant information regarding financial need:

How do you plan to help defray expenses for your education? Please identify below in order of priority (1 through 5; 1= most likely to happen; 5= less likely to happen).

- Parent(s)/Guardian(s) _____
- Student Loan _____
- Special Grants _____
- Scholarship _____
- Other (specify) _____

Have you applied/received other scholarships or grants? Yes No
If yes, please explain.

Financial Information provided is **confidential** and will be reviewed only by the CBW Scholarship Selection Committee. This information will be shredded after scholarship winners are selected and presented.

Essay

Please provide a typed Essay (12 Font) including **ALL** of the following information:

1. My chosen field of study is ... because ...
2. How my community, church, or family has influenced me....
3. Why it is important for me to attend college.

Failure to address *all of the above* information disqualifies the applicant. The essay must be between 400 to 500 words that are typed and double-spaced. The essay will be rated on content, depth, grammar, organization, and originality. Each of the four (4) areas listed above **MUST** be addressed in the essay.

Keeping In Touch: Mentoring: *(This is not a competitive question.)*

Will you be willing to keep in touch with CBW and provide us with feedback one or two times during the school year using email, letter, or telephone or all of the above about your progress during the years that you are attending an institution of higher learning? We want to be your mentor and encourager. Thank you for your reply.

Yes No

Student: I hereby certify that the information provided in this application is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Student's Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian: I have completed this form to the best of my knowledge and agree to give proof of the provided information on this form if requested.

Parent's/Guardian's Signature: _____

REMINDER: Please submit an official high school transcript. If your SAT or ACT scores are not included on this transcript, request a set of official scores from College Board or ACT. Check with your guidance counselor if you have questions about obtaining this information.

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-End of Application-

Scholarship Award Checklist

Please take a few moments to check that you are including the following items in your scholarship package:

- Signed Application
- Official Sealed High School Transcripts
- SAT/ACT score document
- Copy of College Acceptance Letter
- 2 Sealed Letters of Recommendation
- Wallet size photograph
- Essay (covering all 3 subject areas)

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