



Northern Virginia

Business and Professional Women's Club

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April 16, 2021

To Whom It May Concern:

Northern Virginia Business and Professional Women's Club is again pleased to announce its 2021 Scholarship Program.

The purpose of the Northern Virginia Women's Club is to help women reach their potential and maximize their contribution to society and the Commonwealth as wage earners and citizens. The club initiated several projects to meet this goal, one being the annual merit scholarship for young women in high school. We believe opportunities offered to women early in life will help lead to their success as productive and resourceful citizens.

This scholarship award is presented to a female high school student of African-American descent, who is a graduating senior residing in one of the Northern Virginia counties: Loudoun, Fairfax, or Prince William. This scholarship is awarded annually to a student with a minimum 2.5-grade point average on a 4.0 scale who exemplifies exceptional academic and community-service involvement.

Enclosed, please find our scholarship form for the current school year. We would appreciate your assistance in making this scholarship application available to students who qualify. Please note the deadline for receipt of the completed application is **May 22, 2021**.

Award Recipient Notification by **May 29, 2021**

Award Acceptance due date by **June 1, 2021**

We thank you in advance for your support in this endeavor.

Janet Ford
President
Northern Virginia Women's Club

D.R. Jackson
Dr. Deborah R. Jackson
Chair
Scholarship Committee



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SCHOLARSHIP OFFER

This scholarship award is to a female high school senior of African-American descent graduating from a high school in one of the following Northern Virginia counties: Loudoun, Fairfax, or Prince William. Students must be pursuing higher education at an accredited institution of higher learning (i.e., community college, university, vocational/technical). The applicants must submit a photo/headshot, an official transcript, two letters of recommendation (one letter must be from a teacher or guidance counselor), and a 300-word student essay. Complete application packets must be **received via email by 11:59 pm on May 22, 2021.**

Winners, parents, and other guests must be present for the award presentation during a virtual ceremony scheduled for **June 27, 2021.** Additional presentation information will be provided closer to the program date.

Please email completed application packets in PDF form to:

novabpwscholarships@gmail.com

If you have questions regarding completing this application, please do not hesitate to email Dr. Deborah Jackson at the email address noted above.



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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The Northern Virginia Business and Professional Women's Club annually awards scholarship assistance to female students of African-American descent who are pursuing higher education (i.e., community college, university, vocational/technical). Scholarships are awarded to students residing in one of the following Northern Virginia counties: Loudoun, Fairfax, or Prince William.

Only completed applications postmarked by **May 22, 2021**, will be considered. Completed applications must contain the following six (6) items. Please use the checklist below to be sure that your application is complete.

- ✓ 1. A completed application form.
- ✓ 2. A letter of acceptance from college or university (if not available, must be presented at the time of award).
- ✓ 3. An official high school transcript. (The transcript must be the original document issued by the school, bearing a raised school seal.)
- ✓ 4. Two letters of recommendation submitted by persons other than relatives. These letters can be from church affiliates, teachers, counselors, or community members. However, one of the two letters must be from a school teacher or counselor.
- ✓ 5. A complete list of your community service involvement.
- ✓ 6. A student essay, 300 words, typed, grammatically correct, neat, and clear in its expression of ideas. Your essay should describe "**the importance of being a visionary women**". Be sure to highlight their accomplishments and your vision of leadership in your future.
- ✓ 7. Standardized testing scores: SAT and/or ACT
- ✓ 8. Please include and Electronic photograph in semi-professional attire.

Incomplete applications will not be considered. No notification will be given. All six items listed must be received via email by 11:59 pm on May 22, 2021 to:

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2021 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

(TYPE OR PRINT IN INK)

PART I – PERSONAL DATA

1. Name: _____
First Middle Last
2. Address:
City: County: Zip Code:
3. Email address: Home Telephone: Mobile:
4. Birth Date: Gender: Race:
5. High School: County: Telephone:
6. Counselor:
7. Parent /Guardian: Email:

Part II – Educational Background

1. Honors: Classes or Programs – AP, IB, IGCSE/AICE, Honors *Include year and grade level.
2. High School Activities: Clubs, societies, councils, athletics, newspaper, the Arts, and school service organizations you have participated in during your high school years (regardless of where you were in high school in 9th-12th). *Indicate leadership positions



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PART III – WORK EXPERIENCE(S)

List any work experience(s): Full/ Part-time/ Seasonal/ Volunteer

Employer(s) Dates

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PART IV – SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY: List community organizations in which you have participated; include dates and leadership positions/ services rendered. (Attach a separate page if needed)

PART V – WRITE A 300 WORD ESSAY

The road to Vice President Kamala Harris's historic win was paved by those who came before her. As she eloquently stated in her inaugural speech, she stands on the shoulders of the women who fought for equality, justice, and the right to vote, as well as the vision, hopes, and dreams of her immigrant mother.

Write a 300-word essay, typed, grammatically correct, neat, and clear in its expression of ideas. Your essay should describe in terms of leadership **“the importance of being a visionary woman.”** Be sure to highlight accomplishments and your vision of your future.



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PART VI - SCHOOL INFORMATION

List the names of colleges or universities where you have applied. Indicate the status of your application (Pending or Accepted):

List any scholarships and the amount of the award you have received:

PART VII - ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Your application will be considered along with others, and if all required materials from the checklist are included, an impartial committee will evaluate it. All information submitted for this scholarship will be considered confidential. Only members of the scholarship committee will review this information.

Both the student and parent/guardian must sign below.

I understand that completing this form does not indicate that I have been selected for a scholarship and that the information presented here is accurate.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

DATE

I have read the information provided on this application and can verify that it is true, accurate, and complete in its presentation.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

DATE



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Announces

2021 Scholarship Program

The Northern Virginia Business and Professional Women's Club is pleased to offer Scholarships up to \$1,000 for continuing your College Education!

Who is Eligible

- Graduating High School Senior
- Must be a resident of the following Northern Virginia counties: Loudoun, Fairfax, or Prince William
- Must be a female of African American Descent
- Minimum 2.5 GPA

Deadline: Entries must be received via email by **11:59 p.m. on May 22, 2021.**

See Website for details: <https://novabpw.org/>