National Association for the Advancement of Colored People

Owensboro Branch 3107

Travis Leon Jackson Memorial Scholarship

Type of Scholarship

The Travis Leon Jackson Memorial Scholarship is named in honor of Travis Leon Jackson who was a graduate of Owensboro High School and Fisk University in Nashville, TN, an Army reservist, a teacher for in the Teach for America Program, and a mentor to many students in the New York City area. A nonrenewable $500 scholarship will be awarded annually. All scholarship money will be distributed directly to the school and applied toward tuition, books and equipment, fees, room and board, or other related expenses. If the student's total scholarships cover all of these expenses, the school may distribute the money directly to the students. The following colleges and universities have agreed to match the scholarship if the recipient attends the school: Brescia University, Kentucky Wesleyan College, and Owensboro Community and Technical College.

Scholarship Eligibility

Applications will be accepted from graduating high school seniors planning to attend an accredited institution of higher learning as a full-time undergraduate student for at least the coming year. Applicants should have a minimum 2.50 GPA (without rounding up) on a 4.0 grading scale at the end of the fall semester of the senior year. Applications that fall below the minimum GPA requirement will not receive consideration and should not be submitted. Applicants must demonstrate involvement in the community and school. All applications are due to the guidance counselor of your school by the beginning of the school day April 11, 2025.

Applications will be reviewed by a scholarship committee, and determination of scholarship winners will be based on the applicants' GPA, participation in school and community activities, essay, and letter of recommendation.

Application Requirements

The following materials are required:

1. The application is to be completed by the student, parents, and school official. (The school section should be completed after the first semester GPA has been determined.) Applications should be typed or printed in ink.

2. A typed essay no longer than two double-spaced pages must be submitted. The essay may be written on any of the following topics: • Describe how your family and relationships have influenced who you are today.
• Describe some of the hardest challenges you experienced while growing up.

• Explain why this scholarship is important to achieving your future goals.

3. One letter of reference is required. The application and related materials should be submitted to the school counselor no later than the beginning of school day on April 11, 2025.

Notification and Recognition of Scholarship Winners

The names of scholarship recipients will be announced on the NAACP website www. **HYPERLINK**

"http://www.naacp.owbky.com/"naacp HYPERLINK "http://www.naacp.owbky.com/".owbky.com. Only scholarship winners will be notified directly by phone, mail, or email. The names and photographs of scholarship winners may be used by NAACP for public relations purposes.

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Section 1 is completed by the applicant.

Applicant's Name:_____

Applicant's Address:_____

City:_____ State:_____Zip:_____ Phone:_____

Email Address:_____

Current High School Attended:_____

City:_____ State:_____Zip:_____ Counselor:_____

Other High School Attended:

1._____ City:_____ State:_____

College or vocational school you plan to attend this fall:_____

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Have you applied? _____ If so, have you been accepted? _____

Intended course of study (if known): _____

Career goals:_____

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Activities (school, community, church, etc.)

Organization or Activity	Number of Years	Leadership Position(s) Held	Honors or Awards

References: (Please provide name and address of a reference and submit their letter of reference with the application.

I, _____, agree to the releasing of high school transcripts and requested information to the National Association of the Advancement of Colored People. Furthermore, my name and photograph may be used by NAACP for public relations purposes.

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Student's Signature Date

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Parent's Signature Date

SECTION 2 is to be completed by the applicant's school.

FOR SCHOOL USE ONLY

Student's High School Diploma or College Program:

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Please list the exact GPA without rounding the score. Applicants who fall below the minimum GPA requirements of 2.50 (without rounding up) on a 4.0 grading scale at the end of the senior year fall semester will not receive consideration and should not submit an application.

Cumulative Un-Weighted GPA: _____ on a scale of _____

Name of School Official: _____

Email Address of School Official:_____

High School Phone Number: (_____)_____

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Signature and title of school official verifying information Date