



THE CULTURAL ASSOCIATION OF NIGERIANS IN NORTH ALABAMA (CANNA)

High School Seniors Scholarship Program

GUIDELINES:

Purpose: To recognize academic achievements and encourage further education.

Eligibility: Graduating high school seniors in the year of the award and must be of Nigerian parentage in North Alabama.

Awards: Award recipient receive \$1000.00 to apply toward College/ University costs. Scholarship award funds will be provided to award recipient upon evidence of registration in an accredited post secondary institution.

Requirements / Criteria:

1. **Academic achievement / Records:**

Applicant must have:

- a. GPA of 3.0 or above,
- b. A minimum of 20 points on ACT, or a minimum of 670 points on SAT.

2. **Recommendations:**

Applicant must provide two letters of recommendation from non relatives preferably from High School Counselors/Teachers, pastors or community civic leaders.

3. **Essay / Statement of Career Goals:**

A statement of purpose shall be no more than two to three pages. Items to address in essay may include but not limited to:

- a. Brief description of applicant's personal life experiences
- b. Career goals
- c. Awards/Academic and other note-worthy honors (public services , volunteer services, scholarly activities, research, etc)
- d. Activities / Sports honor (extracurricular activities, club membership / leadership, sports, etc.)

Application Process:

Applicant must submit the following items:

1. A completed application form downloaded from CANNA web site:
www.canna-usa.org/scholarship
2. Letter of application addressed to the CANNA Scholarship Committee.
3. Official transcript of the applicant's academic record.

Application Time:

Application opens **January, 1** and **deadline** is **February, 28**. Applications postmarked after this date will not be considered. Please mail application to:

CANNA SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE, P.O. BOX 573, NORMAL, ALABAMA 35762.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Please complete this form and return to the address at the bottom of this application no later than **February, 28** annually. To be considered you must submit all required information by this date.

Notification of Award:

Successful and non successful applicants shall be notified latest end of March.

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APPLICATION

Biographical Information

NAME: (First) _____ (Middle) _____ (Last) _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

TELEPHONE (Cell #): _____ HOME # _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

NAME OF PARENT (S) / LEGAL GUARDIAN: _____

CURRENT HIGH SCHOOL: _____ LOCATION: _____

DATE OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION: _____

HIGH SCHOOL CUMULATIVE GPA: _____ On a scale of: _____

SCHOLASTIC APTITUDE TEST (SAT) RESULTS: _____

OR, AMERICAN COLLEGE TEST (ACT) RESULTS: _____

SIGNATURE OF STUDENT: _____

SIGNATURE OF PARENT (S) / LEGAL GUARDIAN (If student is under 18 years old):



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****CHECKLIST OF REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Scholarship application.
2. Two letters of recommendation from non relatives preferably from high school teacher, guidance counselor, principal or vice-principal, pastor, or community civic leader(s).
3. A copy of an acceptance letter from an approved college or university
4. A copy of your scores on the SAT or other scholastic aptitude test results such as ACT.
5. An essay / statement of career goals.
6. A stamped, self-addressed envelope if you do not have e-mail address.

Please mail completed application along with all required information to:

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NORMAL, ALABAMA 35762**

You may send application via certified mail, but this is not required. If you wish acknowledgement of the receipt of your complete application, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed letter size envelope. If you have any question, do not hesitate to call: **Dr. Paul Okweye at 256-337-4669.**

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY:

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that my picture may be taken and used for any purpose deemed necessary to promote the CANNA's scholarship program.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, according to Cultural Association of Nigerians in North Alabama Scholarship policy, I must provide evidence of enrollment/registration at the post-secondary institution of my choice before scholarship funds can be disbursed.

Signature of scholarship applicant: _____

Date: _____

REMEMBER:

The deadline for this application to be received by the Association is **February 28, 5:00 p.m. (Central)**
No exceptions!

**NO FAXES ACCEPTED. APPLICATIONS POSTMARKED AND RECEIVED AFTER
FEBRUARY 28, WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**