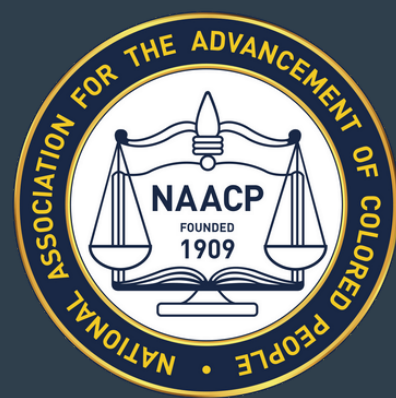


■ NAACP- Fort Worth/Tarrant Branch

2023 SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY CONTEST



Submission Details

The scholarship application and essay must be submitted by April 15, 2023.

- Email your essay to FW.NAACP.edu@gmail.com or
 - Deliver to the Ft. Worth/Tarrant NAACP Branch Office, 1063 Evans Ave, Fort Worth, TX 76104
- Only Scholarship recipients will be notified of the results.
Contact Branch Scholarship Committee at FW.NAACP.edu@gmail.com or (817) 332-8919

Student Application:

(Attach this form to your essay for identification purposes. Do not include your name on the essay)

Full Name :

E-Mail :

Address :

Phone No. :

Date Of Birth :

Name of College
Attending

College Address

College Major :

Parent Information

First Name :

Phone No.

Last Name :

E-Mail

Essay Topics: Select one essay topic question

1. How has your high school experience influenced your thoughts about the value of an educated US population?
2. How would society benefit from every student having a free college education?
3. What are cultural competencies? How were cultural competencies promoted or were not promoted during your high school experience?

Student
Signature

Parent Signature,
if under 18

■ NAACP- Fort Worth/Tarrant Branch

2023 SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY CONTEST



Eligibility/Requirements

- Class of 2023 Graduating Seniors residing in Tarrant County
- Or Class of 2023 Graduating Senior with FW/Tarrant County Branch Membership prior to March 30, 2023
- Submit Scholarship Application and Essay

Scholarship Information

Scholarship Application & Essay Submission Deadline: April 15, 2023

Each Scholarship Award Total: \$1500.00

Three Scholarships in honor of the following Fort Worth NAACP leaders will be awarded:

The Ray Bell Scholarship

Ray Howard Bell was a native of Titus County, Texas. Ray Bell moved to Fort Worth after serving in the Navy in World War II. Mr. Bell's working career was spent in the Insurance Business first with Excelisor and later with Universal Life Insurance Company. Mr. Bell served the Fort Worth Tarrant County Branch of the NAACP for over 40 years first as membership chair and later serving as First-Vice President under Dr. George D. Flemmings. Mr. Bell was elevated to President on the untimely death of Dr. Flemmings in 1975. Bell served the Branch with distinction and dedication especially during the turbulent times of integrating the Fort Worth Independent School System. Mr. Bell was a great believer in Education until his untimely death in 1997.

The Willie Mae Dotson Scholarship

Willie Mae Dotson was a native of Beaumont in Southeast Texas. Mrs. Dotson was a Life member of the Fort Worth Tarrant County NAACP. Mrs. Dotson lived in Southeast Fort Worth for many years before her death. Mrs. Dotson worked for Cedar Hill Memorial Park selling cemetery plots. Mrs. Dotson was a highly respected community leader. Mrs. Dotson believed in Education and left as part of this legacy funding for Education Scholarships to current graduating seniors.

The Judge L. Clifford Davis Scholarship

Judge L. Clifford Davis is a native of Arkansas. Judge Davis moved to Fort Worth in the early 1950's when he established a private law practice in Fort Worth. Judge Davis was one of the first African-American Lawyers in Fort Worth. Judge Davis filed the first law suit against the Mansfield, Texas school district advocating for the admission of African-American students in the Mansfield School district rather than them having to commute to Fort Worth to attend High School at I. M. Terrell a legendary African-American School at the time. Judge Davis represented the Fort Worth Tarrant County Branch of the NAACP in its quest to integrate the Fort Worth Public School System. Judge Davis life's work is reflected in the Fort Worth Independent School System's good judgement in naming a new elementary school in Fort Worth in his honor.

Essay Criteria:

- Essays must be original student work
- Essays must be a minimum of 300 words and a maximum of 500 words.
- Essays must be typed and double spaced.
- Essays must have a separate cover sheet with the title, author's name, and sponsoring teacher.
- Essays will be scored in the following domains: focus and detail; organization; voice; sentence structure/grammar/mechanics/spelling.