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**National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc.
Northern Virginia Chapter Scholarship Application 2025**

PURPOSE

The National Coalition of 100 Black Women is a non-profit 501c3 organization. Through advocacy, we work as change agents to influence policy that promotes gender equity in health, education, and economic empowerment. We believe through our efforts; we will fulfill our vision of seeing black women and girls living in a world where socioeconomic inequity does not exist. We endeavor to support the community and inspire young African American girls and women by aiding and encouraging them to further their education. For additional information about our mission and values, visit www.ncbw.org.

ELIGIBILITY

Scholarship applicants **must** meet the following criteria:

1. Be a Black/African American female high school senior.
2. Be a U.S. Citizen.
3. Be a resident of and senior graduating within the 2024-2025 school year from a public high school in one of the following counties: Arlington County, Fairfax County; and the City of Alexandria.
4. Have a cumulative average GPA of 3.0 at the time of application.
5. Scholarship recipients must be able to show proof of enrollment for the 2025-2026 academic year in a full-time course of study at an accredited two—or four-year college, university, or technical/vocational school.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Five (5) \$1,000.00 awards will be given, and two (2) \$500 awards will be given as Historically Black college or university (HBCU) Book Stipends.

HBCU Book Stipends are for students attending an accredited Historically Black college or university.



After enrollment verification for the fall 2025 session, the awards will be disbursed directly to the college or university in August 2025. They are non-renewable.

Awards are subject to the availability of funds.

NOTE: Immediate family members of the National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Northern Virginia Chapter members are ineligible to apply.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

The application must be submitted with the required materials by **May 23, 2025, 11:59 pm.**

To apply, please send the required materials electronically to programs@ncbwnova.org. In the subject line, please indicate **NCBW NOVA 2025 Scholarship Packet**.

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

Please contact Lanita Thweatt at programs@ncbwnova.org.



SELECTION CRITERIA

The Scholarship Committee will consider the following when selecting scholarship recipients:

Academic Achievement: This is based on your academic transcript and testimony to your scholarly excellence, which is provided by letter(s) of recommendation by a teacher.

Community Service: Evaluation of the student's community/activity service and leadership activities.

School and Community Extracurricular Activities: Organizations, clubs, associations, and affiliations you belong to in and outside school.

Essay: Focus and support of main points. Organization and format. Grammar and spelling,

Aspirations: Plans to attend a two or four-year college, university, or technical/vocational school at the time of scholarship application.

HBCU Book Scholarships: Plans to attend a Historically Black College or University at the time of scholarship application.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Scholarship applicants must submit the following information to the National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc. Northern Virginia Chapter's Scholarship Committee on or before April 25, 2025, 11:59 pm.

1. A completed application form. Incomplete applications **will not** be considered; there are no EXCEPTIONS.
2. An official transcript was submitted with the completed application. Please have the student's school email the official transcript to programs@ncbwnova.org.
3. Two letters of recommendation (one reference provided by school personnel and one from a member of the community – non-family members). Please have the student's school email the recommendation letter to programs@ncbwnova.org.
4. A typed 500 minimum to 1,000 maximum word essay on the following topic:
What leadership qualities and/or skills do you possess? How would you use your leadership qualities and/or skills to make improvements in your community? How have your leadership qualities and abilities been challenged within the last 4 years?
5. Double-spaced with 1" margins, typed in 12-point font.



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

The scholarship (s) you are applying for. Check all that apply.

____ **Chapter Scholarship**

____ **HBCU Book Stipend**

Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Home Phone:

Cell Phone:

Email:

Current High School:

Guidance Counselor Name:

Guidance Counselor Telephone Number:

Guidance Counselor Email Address:

Date of Graduation:

Current GPA:

SAT Score:

ACT Score:



Applicant Name:

APPLICANT EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES SHEET

List any school or community awards or honors you have received. Insert an extra line if needed.

Award	Organization	Year

List any school-related organizations/activities in which you are or have been involved. Insert an extra line if needed.

Organization/Activity	Position Held	Years of Participation (Include Dates)



List any volunteer or other community activity involvement outside of school. Include religious activities, charitable organizations, clubs, etc.

Organization/Activity	Position Held	Years of Participation (Include Dates)

List any work experiences or internships.

Employer	Position Held	Length of Time (Include Dates)

If you have faced difficult/extenuating circumstances in your academic or personal journey, you may address those in a brief statement. (300 word maximum)



Applicant Name:

APPLICATION AND INFORMATION RELEASE STATEMENT

To the best of my knowledge, the application provided is complete and accurate. I understand that false statements in this application will disqualify me from receiving a scholarship award. Due to funding, not every eligible applicant will receive an award. No application materials will be returned.

I/we hereby declare that we are the parents and/or guardian or next-of-kin of _____, a minor and that I/we voluntarily give my/our consent to the videotaping, photographing, and audio recording of my minor daughter. I understand that the materials obtained can be used for marketing purposes and/or released to social media.

I _____ (print applicant's legal name) permit any college, university, or school to release any information necessary to process my scholarship application to National Coalition 100 Black Women, Inc., Northern Virginia Scholarship Committee.

Applicant's Signature (legal name):

Legal Guardian's Signature (legal name):

Date:



Applicant Name:

APPLICATION CHECKLIST:

The National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc., Northern Virginia Chapter's Scholarship application should contain all the following materials. Check off each item when completed. **LATE AND INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED, NO EXCEPTIONS.**

- ☐ A completed Application Form.
- ☐ An official transcript of grades. Please have the student's school email the official transcript to programs@ncbwnova.org.
- ☐ Two letters of recommendation (**one reference provided by school personnel and one from a member of the community – non-family members**).
- ☐ A typed 500 minimum -1000 maximum word essay. Please put your name at the top of each essay page.
- ☐ Extracurricular Activity Sheet.
- ☐ Signed and dated Application and Information Release

Statement. Applicant's Signature (legal name):

Legal Guardian's Signature (legal name):

Date: