

December 2023

The Quad County African American Chamber of Commerce (QCAACC) Scholarship Committee is currently accepting scholarship applications for African American students currently enrolled in college. **This year we will offer 3 scholarships of \$2500.00 each, totaling \$7500.00.**

We recognize that having funds to finish college is not easy. Our desire is to help African American students continue their academic goal of obtaining a college degree. The QCAACC believes that tomorrow's leaders need our help today. QCAACC and its affiliated entities will award **three African American students with a \$2500.00 scholarship** at our **15<sup>th</sup> Annual 2024 Scholarship Jazz Brunch on Saturday February 3, 2024.**

Eligible students must be currently enrolled in a 2 or 4 year post-secondary institution with a minimum cumulative 2.4 GPA. (Please provide a copy of the most recent transcript available. Freshman can provide their final high school transcript.) The applicant must live in DuPage, Kane, Will or Kendall counties, **or** attend a post-secondary school located in one of the four aforementioned counties. Career college institutions are not eligible. Please note: Only individuals who have never won an award from the QCAACC Scholarship are eligible to apply. Past winners are NOT eligible.

All requested information as outlined in the attached document **must be received by email no later than Sunday, January 21, 2024, 11:59 pm.**

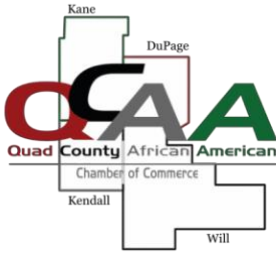
**E-mail requested materials to:**

Scholarship@quadcountyaachamber.org

Attn:

Scholarship Committee

**The Scholarship event will be held on Saturday, February 3, 2024, from 11:30 am to 2:00 pm at the Hotel Arista, 2139 City Gate Lane in Naperville, 60563.** The winning scholarship recipient and ONE guest are invited to attend at no cost. Additional attendees may purchase tickets directly on-line at our website: <https://www.quadcountyaachamber.org/>. Please contact us at the above email with any questions you may have.



## Quad County African American Chamber Scholarship Student Profile

(To be completed by the applicant.)

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

College Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt No.: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Parental contact phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Academic Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Financial Aid Office Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Year of Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

Declared Major: \_\_\_\_\_

I am a: Freshman: \_\_\_\_\_ Sophomore: \_\_\_\_\_ Junior: \_\_\_\_\_ Senior: \_\_\_\_\_

By signing this form, I am agreeing that the information I am submitting is true and accurate. I understand that the awarded monies must go toward payment of furthering my education including, but not limited to tuition, books, student fees and room and board.

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Name (print) \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Quad County African American Chamber of Commerce Scholarship

The Quad County African American Chamber of Commerce (QCAACC) believes tomorrow's leaders need our help today. In the past eight years, we have awarded over \$40,000 in scholarships.

### The following outlines the criteria for consideration:

- Applicants must attend a 2 or 4 year academic institution located in the Quad Counties (Will, Kane, DuPage, Kendall) or be a resident of the Quad Counties.
- Enrolled college student with a minimum 2.4 G.P.A. on 4.0 scale
- Ethnicity of African American descent
- Completed, signed, and dated application.
- Copy of most recent College transcript(s) (Official or Unofficial); or last high school transcript if currently in first semester of college
- List of extra-curricular activities over past four years (i.e., leadership, sports, student activities, church, volunteer, etc.; break out by category)
- 1 letter of character reference from a non-family member
- Write a personal essay answering the question: "What motivated you to choose your academic major, and how do you expect it to be applied in service and unity to benefit the African American Community?" **(100 words or less.)**
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Scholarship applications and supporting materials must be postmarked no later than January 21, 2024 and emailed to [Scholarship@quadcountyaachamber.org](mailto:Scholarship@quadcountyaachamber.org)

To ensure the integrity of the selection process, applicants must meet all requirements. **Incomplete applications will not be considered.** Submitted documents will be properly disposed of.

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