

**THE LUCINDA L. JASPER SCHOLARSHIP FUND, INC.
P.O. Box 15463
Washington, D.C. 20003-0463**

APPLICATION CHECK LIST*

Following are the items that constitute a complete application for The Lucinda L. Jasper Scholarship Fund Competition.

- _____ APPLICATION FORM
- _____ ESSAY (1500-2500 WORDS)
- _____ TEACHER RECOMMENDATION
- _____ SCHOOL REPORT

THE LUCINDA L. JASPER SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

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“APPLICATION CHECK LIST” ITEMS MUST BE SUBMITTED ONLINE.
PLEASE CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX FOR RELEASE AS PART OF YOUR
COMPLETED PACKAGE. THANK YOU.

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ESSAY REQUIREMENTS

The Essay must be about only ONE African American who has influenced you to continue to pursue an education to graduate and post graduate heights. The essay must contain 1500 to 2500 words. This will allow us to listen to you and your goals. This African American does not have to be famous. It is only important that he or she inspire you to continue your education. Suggested individuals include writers, poets, relatives, educators, someone in the arts, medical or legal profession, etc. **The student must compose and submit his or her own original essay. Only one essay per applicant. There will be no coaching of any kind. The essay must be original.**

What to write:

- Tell us about the African American and how that person influenced you to continue your education.
- Include your goals, objectives, aspirations

Before you begin

- Make an agreement with a teacher or other trusted adult that you will take the time to complete the essay. Meet with that teacher or adult periodically for updates.
- Provide your teacher and principal with their appropriate form early to give them sufficient time to complete it and return it to the committee.
- Begin writing the essay well before the deadline. Spend some time alone, free from distractions, to think about the special African American person who has inspired you to seek a higher education.
- List ideas and thoughts you want to portray in this individual.
- Ask yourself, what is it about this person that drives or compels me to accomplish my goals.

As You Write

- Don't be afraid to begin. Write freely and save the editing for later.
- Be yourself. Write about what is genuine and true for you.
- Imagine that you are writing a letter to a special friend (someone you haven't seen in a while) and you can't wait to tell this person how he or she has influenced you to continue your education beyond high school.
- Keep the focus simple. Avoid large, fancy words and stale beginnings.

- Write about a singular moment or instance that made a difference in your concept of your education and desires for the future.
- Use events, feelings, ideas.

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- Be creative in your presentation... no plagiarism allowed.
- Avoid direct quotes, poems, etc. for they will not be considered part of the 1500 to 2500 word requirement.

After you finish evaluate your essay on the following levels and check off each one

- Is it grammatically correct, properly punctuated, interesting to read?
- Have you followed directions carefully, avoided clichés, prepared it to the best of your ability.

Points to Remember:

- ALL package submission items **MUST BE TYPED**.
- Essay: Use “Times Roman”, 12 pitch font, **DOUBLE SPACE**
- Reminder: Only one essay per applicant
- Completed packages must be SUBMITTED ONLINE no later than **March 31, 2021 AT 11:59 P.M.**

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(ALL Information MUST BE TYPED!)

A P P L I C A T I O N F O R M 2021

DEADLINE: MARCH 31, 2021

I. PERSONAL INFORMATION

LAST NAME FIRST MI

Home Address

City State Zip

(____) _____ **Circle one:** Male or Female _____

Phone Date of Birth

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL YOU PLAN TO ATTEND:

Name of High School

High School Address Street City State Zip

(____) _____

High School Phone

II. SUMMARY REPORT (If more space is needed please provide attachment)

In completing this section, please be candid and thorough, so that we may have a complete picture of you.

- A. **ACADEMIC:** What courses have your greatest interest?
- B. **EXTRACURRICULAR:** Describe the extracurricular school and/or community activities in which you participated.
- C. **SPECIAL AWARDS:** List any special awards or prizes you may have received over the past three years.
- D. **SPECIAL INTERESTS:** (for example volunteer activities, hobbies, etc.)

NOTE: In the event you win, we ask that you and one parent or guardian **INDICATE** that the Committee has permission to copy, publish, and/or send your essay to contributors, and your **PHOTO** may be placed in the "Catholic Standard" and online.

PLEASE INDICATE YOUR PERMISSIONS OF RELEASE OF NAME, PHOTO, AND ESSAY WITH A BRIEF STATEMENT OF RELEASES BELOW.

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PLEASE CHECK WITH THE PRINCIPAL FOR THE SCHOOL CODE.

TEACHER RECOMMENDATION

APPLICANT'S NAME

LAST FIRST MI

ADDRESS CITY STATE ZIP

SCHOOL NAME ADDRESS PHONE NUMBER

TO THE APPLICANT: After you have filled in the above, give this form to a teacher who has taught you an academic subject in the last two years. It is most helpful to us if this teacher has taught a course that is in an area of continuing interest to you.

TO THE TEACHER: This student is an applicant of The Lucinda L. Jasper Scholarship Competition. We are interested in your frank appraisal of his or her intellectual motivation and the scholarly quality of his or her work. Your evaluation is of considerable importance to us. Your observations will supplement the information we receive from the student and the school. **Please complete this form online BEFORE 11:59 PM March 31, 2021. Recommendations received after March 31, 2021 will not be accepted. Without the Recommendation the applicant is disqualified.**

TEACHER'S LAST NAME (Print) FIRST NAME MI

How long have you known the applicant? _____

SUBJECT(S): DATES TAUGHT

1. Please comment on the quality of the applicant's academic work; note any personal strengths of which you feel we should be made aware of.

2. Additional Comments (if any).

Teachers Signature _____ Date _____

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Principal's Name (Print)

Date

Principal's Name (Signature)