



# INFORMATION and APPLICATION Instructions

for

# S. A. Jones National Alumni Heritage Award Presented by

Scipio A. Jones High National Alumni Association and Former Students Inc.

# How To Apply

The Scipio A. Jones National Heritage Awards Program supplies financial help to qualifying high school seniors who are committed to continuing their education. The Awards program is in memory of Scipio A. Jones Jr./Sr. High School which closed in 1973.

The Alumni Association awards deserving student(s) yearly. The Award(s) support comes from fundraisers, contributions from individuals, and organizations in the community.

All Awards are decided without regard to the applicant's race, color, national origin, age, or disability. The key selection factors used to find winners are leadership qualities shown through school and community organizations, English composition, writing skills, and overall academic achievement.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

The following policies apply to applicants for the S. A. Jones National Alumni Heritage Award(s):

The applicant must verify that they have:

- Successfully completed the curriculum at an accredited high school or equivalent.
- Made satisfactory progress toward high school graduation provided by a transcript of the current year.
- Maintained/graduated with a high school grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.
- Applicant has applied to an accredited post-secondary educational institution, college, university, trade school or technical school.
- Is a relative of an Association Chapter Member. All relative's dues must be paid two years prior to the applicant applying for an Award.

#### How The Committee Selects Scholars

## An interested applicant must send:

- A **completed** Awards application form.
- A current transcript sealed.
- Two letters of recommendations. One must be from the applicant's High School Counselor on school letterhead with a signature. The second letter may come from a teacher, business, civic, or religious leader in the community on letterhead with a signature and contact number(s). Letters cannot come from relatives. Both letters should emphasize special accomplishments, abilities, and talents.
- An autobiography profile with a minimum of 250 words to include:
- Why they want to receive the S. A. Jones National Alumni Heritage Award.
- The course of study or major field.
- Proposed future profession or occupation.
- Leadership skills, and/or accomplishments in high school and in the community.
- The profile must be typed and double spaced.

## Payment of Award

The S.A. Jones National Heritage Awards committee selects the recipient(s). The committee reviews and thoroughly evaluates each qualifying application and all documents sent for the selection process used to decide the winner(s).

The National Alumni Awards Committee decides the dollar amount of the award(s).

The S.A. Jones National Heritage Award recipient(s) will receive a one- time payment to pay for books, tuition, and other ordinary expenses at a qualifying post-secondary educational institution (College, University, Technical or Trade School). To receive financial aid, the scholar must enroll in school the first semester or term after their school graduation.

When the applicant sends sufficient evidence of enrollment, such as (class schedule) to the Alumni, the Treasurer will send the award to the address provided by the student.

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#### SUBMIT APPLICATION MATERIALS TO:

S.A. Jones Alumni Heritage Award

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Qualifying applications must sub by March 31, 2024

The Heritage Awards Committee will not accept late or incomplete applications.