# **POST-SECONDARY** APPLICATION FORM

This form is to be completed by an individual enrolled full-time in an undergraduate degree program at a post-secondary institution

## SCHOLARSHIP & AWARDS PROGRAM FOR AFRICAN NOVA SCOTIAN STUDENTS

Students must submit an application EACH YEAR to be considered for any scholarship/award. For additional information on scholarship criteria: ednet.ns.ca/acs/ Please print clearly in pen and complete Application in FULL.

Value of Scholarship: \$2,500

STUDENT INFORMATION			
ENROLLMENT STATUS O Full-time O Part-time		GENDER	
SOCIAL INSURANCE NUMBER (SIN) (Mandatory)		<u> </u>	
LEGAL NAME			
ADDRESS		APT#	
CITY/PROVINCE		POSTAL CODE	
	CELL	EMAIL	
I AM AN AFRICAN NOVA SCOTIAN (BLACK) STUDENT*		I AM A CANADIAN CITIZEN O Yes O No	
	CITY / COUNTRY OF BIRTH (Visa Students are not eligi		
ALTERNATE ADDRESS (September-April)			
CITY/PROVINCE		POSTAL CODE	
PHONE	EMAIL		
EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND (Must have attended school in Nova Scotia)			
HIGH SCHOOL			
START DATE (Month/Year)	ANTICIPATED GRADUATION DATE (Month/Year)		
UNIVERSITY YOU WILL ATTEND			
UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM ENROLLED IN			
STUDENT ID NUMBER:			
PARENT/GUARDIAN AND/OR PARENT/GUARDIAN OF AFRICAN DESCENT			
PARENT/GUARDIAN	PARENT/GUARDIAN OF AFRICAN DESCENT		
ADDRESS			
CITY/PROVINCE	POSTAL CODE	PHONE	
SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS/HONOURS AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES			
ATTACH THE FOLLOWING TO YOUR APPLICATION	TION FORM		
FIRST YEAR APPLICANTS/STUDENTS	2ND, 3RD & 4TH YEAR UNIVERSITY STUDENT		
<ul><li>Official mid-year transcript</li><li>Official final transcript</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Official transcript (No photocopies and/or int</li> <li>Confirmation of Enrollment Form from the un</li> </ul>		
Official letter of acceptance from university		inversity which vermes stadent status	
Academic reference letter			
<ul><li>Character reference letter (non-relative)</li><li>Maximum 300 words (typed) essay describing your particular part</li></ul>	et .		
involvement with and/or vision for the African Nova			
Scotian (Black) community.			
*I hereby certify that the information provided in this application is true.			
Signature		Date	
If you are approved for this scholarship, your name m	nay/will be published.		

MAIL THIS FORM TO

Department of Education & **Early Childhood Development** African Canadian Services Brunswick Place, 2021 Brunswick Street PO Box 578 Halifax, NS B3J 2S9

**Further Inquiries** 

Phone: 902-424-2586 Fax: 902-428-2202

Email: ACSBawards@novascotia.ca

See Reverse Side for Criteria

**APPLICATION DEADLINE** July 26, 2024

Applicants will receive written notification regarding eligibility

Photocopy or print a copy from website:

ednet.ns.ca/acs/

The Education Incentive Program for African Nova Scotian Students was established in 1965 by the Government of Nova Scotia to assist and encourage African Nova Scotian students to continue their education in high schools, community colleges, technical institutes, universities, and other approved post-secondary institutions. This program has evolved into the Scholarship Program for African Nova Scotian Students.

#### **AIMS OF THE PROGRAM**

Provide financial assistance to African Nova Scotian (Black) students so they will be encouraged to continue their post-secondary education immediately following completion of grade 12 in the Nova Scotia school system, develop leadership potential, and meet educational career and professional objectives.

#### **AWARDS**

Students are eligible to apply for one award per year, up to a maximum of four consecutive years, depending on the scholarship. Contact African Canadian Services Branch for information at 902-424-2586.

- University Entrance Scholarship (75% average or higher) -\$4,500
- Post-Secondary Award (Less than 75% average for Grade 12 students) \$2,500
- Community College/Trade School Award \$1,800
- Performing Arts Award \$1,000 Only one student per year will receive this award.
   (This award is available in conjunction with the University Entrance & Post-Secondary Award and Community College/Trade School Award)

#### **POST-SECONDARY AWARD**

Valued at \$2,500.00 these scholarships are available to African Nova Scotian (Black) students who have successfully completed grade 12 in the Nova Scotia school system and who enroll full-time in a recognized university degree program. This award is also available to second, third, and fourth year students (see acs.ednet.ns.ca) for more detailed criteria. Awards for second, third, and fourth year students are based on satisfactory academic standing. Students must submit an application each year to be considered for any scholarship/award. Please note that this scholarship is not retroactive. Students must apply for funding each consecutive year.

#### **CRITERIA AS FOLLOWS:**

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

- An African Nova Scotian (Black) student with genealogical/ancestral connections to an historical African Nova Scotian/Black community; and/or
- An African Nova Scotian (Black) student is a Canadian citizen whose parent(s)/guardian(s) is(are) of Black African descent, and
- · Applicant must be a resident of Nova Scotia;
- Applicant must be a Canadian Citizen;
- Applicant must be a graduate of the Nova Scotia School System
- Enrolled as a full-time student in a recognized program
- \* The term "Black" is the original term that the Education Incentive Program for Black Students used, and it is the term that the Black Learners Advisory Committee used in their recommendation that the Nova Scotia Government "should provide scholarships and financial assistance to Black learners in recognition of achievement and need" (p.21) The term "Black" is used because many people of African ancestry in Canada and Nova Scotia refer to themselves as "Black," a term used to refer to a racial identity, rather than a colour. (acs.ednet.ns.ca/sites/default/files/BLAC%20Report%20on%20 Education%20Vol%201-3.pdf)

# APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS First Year Applicants

- A completed application form
- Official mid-term transcript (Final transcript can be forwarded as soon as it becomes available)
- Copy of official letter of acceptance to university
- Reference letters (one academic & one character)
- Maximum 300 words (typed) essay describing your past involvement with and/or vision for the African Nova Scotian (black) community.

#### Second, Third- & Fourth-Year Students

- · A completed application form;
- Official transcript & Confirmation of Enrollment Form from university confirming student status;
- Internet copies of marks will only be accepted if they are sent direct to us from the registrars office

# MAP OF HISTORIAL AFRICAN NOVA SCOTIAN/BLACK COMMUNITIES



## **APPLICATION DEADLINES**

- University Entrance Scholarship: May 31, 2024
- Post-Secondary Award: July 26, 2024
- Community College Award: July 26, 2024
- Performing Arts Award: July 26, 2024

ALL DEADLINES WILL BE STRICTLY OBSERVED

