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**African-American/Caribbean Education Association, Inc Scholarship Fund  
Proudly Announces September 2009**

- *The Mildred Collins Nursing/Health Science/Medicine Scholarship*
- *The William A. Samber, Sr. Aviation/Mathematics and Science Scholarship*
- *The Honorable Ernestine Washington Library Science/Language Arts Scholarship*

The African-American/Caribbean Education Association, Inc will honor these beloved members in celebration of their outstanding contributions to the advancement of the community and all its people. The scholarships are representative of the fields of endeavor in which our honorees have achieved outstanding accomplishments. We inspire our young people to emulate their dedication, service, and commitment, in their quest to make a difference on life's road to the benefit of us all. [If applying for more than one scholarship you must submit a separate application for each.]

**Eligibility:**

Qualified students will be granted an award based on academic merit, SAT score, exemplary community service, 200 hour minimum, essay, interview and letters of recommendation. **Please see Eligibility requirements.**

**Amount of Award:**

The amount of the award to any recipient shall be \$1000 -\$2500. The award will be given to the recipient directly, in one sum. The scholarship will be awarded upon eligibility criteria, proof of high school graduation, showing targeted school's bursar receipt and registration of courses for the 2010 Fall Term.

**Selection for Award:**

The selection of an applicant for a scholarship is within the discretion and guidelines as set forth by the AACEA INC Scholarship Committee. The amount and number of awards will depend upon amount of funds and endowment available.

**How to Apply:**

Qualified students meeting the eligibility requirements should apply. Obtain an application by doing any one of the following:

1. Downloading application from website
2. E-mailing us
3. Writing to make a request

Applicants will then follow the directions provided. **APPLICATION DEADLINE: Saturday, May 1, 2010**

**\*Applications must be received by AACEA INC on or before May 1; postmarks for this date will not be accepted.**

**How to Support the Scholarship Fund**

To support the work of the AACEA INC organization in providing scholarships to outstanding young scholars, please *make donations payable to the AACEA INC Scholarship Fund*. You may also make your tax deductible contribution online at our website or mail your donation. All contact information follows:

**Contact Information:**

**Website: [www.aaceainc.com](http://www.aaceainc.com)**

**E-Mail: [aaceainc@yahoo.com](mailto:aaceainc@yahoo.com)**

**Mailing: AACEA INC—Attn: Scholarship Fund, P. O. Box 1224, Valley Stream, NY 11582-1224**

**HONORING BELOVED AACEA INC MEMBERS**



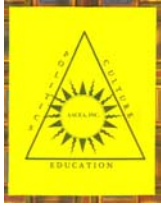
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## African-American/Caribbean Education Association, Inc. (AAACEAINC)

### Requirements of AAACEAINC Scholarship Eligibility

**\*This scholarship is based on outstanding academic achievement and community service (200 minimum service hours).  
Only Eligible High School Students Should Apply.**

#### Eligibility

- 90 average, suggested minimum, in the five academic subject areas that follow. (The Scholarship Committee may evaluate a lesser grade point average based on academic record, exemplary community service, letters of recommendation, courses in progress, resume, and other appropriate factors relevant to eligibility).
- 4 years of college preparatory courses in these academic subjects: Mathematics—for example: Algebra, Intermediate Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry, Calculus; English Language Arts; Science courses (with Lab requisites) for example: General Science, Earth Science, Biology, Chemistry, Physics; Social Studies; and Foreign Language (this is a four year sequence; not two years of one language and two years of another, or any combination of a language, etc.). Honors and Advanced Placement courses are welcome but optional.
- SAT score 1790, suggested minimum. Applicant will provide copy of official report with full composite of verbal, math, and writing scores (The Scholarship Committee may evaluate a lesser score based on academic record, exemplary community service, letters of recommendation, courses in progress, resume, and other appropriate factors relevant to eligibility).
- 200 Community Service Hours, minimum. (Totals an average of 50 service hours per year, grades 9-12)
- Preferred that applicants have given community service in the field of the designated scholarship during the course of their high school tenure; however, earned community service hours of 200 or more are acceptable
- High School graduates with proof of college acceptance letter to the targeted school to be attended that following August/September (failure to graduate will forfeit scholarship).
- U.S. Citizen of African American or Caribbean Heritage
- Please read carefully, this information will greatly affect weight of candidate's application. 3 letters of recommendation – ***One (1) letter is preferred from chosen field of study related to scholarship or from school faculty member.***  
*Examples of letters from chosen field:* Hospital Administrator, Doctor, Registered Nurse, Health Teacher, Director of Health Facility or Health Science Program; Library Director, English Language Arts Principal/Assistant Principal or English Language Arts Teacher; Aviation Program Director, Aviation School, Aviation Teacher, Math or Science Principal/Assistant Principal/ Teacher  
***There are to be two (2) letters from community service organizations where applicant completed service hours attesting to applicant's leadership, level of commitment, and moral fiber.*** (No relatives may submit a letter of recommendation.) **All letters of recommendation must be provided on organization letterhead with title of writer.**
- Proof of Birth/Naturalization with copy of official certificate and copy of official Social Security Card. Applicant must present copies of these documents at time of personal interview, if selected for interview.
- Applicants must sign a promissory note to “Pass It On” and help others along life's road at time of interview, if selected for interview.
- Personal Interview with Scholarship Committee in New York
- Scholarships are not limited to New York State residents; however, all candidates must be available to sit for personal interview and, if awarded, available to receive scholarship at Awards Ceremony with no additional costs to AAACEAINC. Students may use scholarship at any Accredited College or University.



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(AACEAINC)*

*"Working to better the education of our children"*

*The Mildred Collins  
Nursing/ Health Science/ Medicine Scholarship*

## ***BIOGRAPHY***

Mildred Collins was born in St. Kitts. She received an excellent education and her mother instilled in her that she must always share and help others. She joined the Girl Guides in 1931 where she practiced what her mother had taught. Because of her great desire to help the sick, she joined the Red Cross. There she learned how to care for the infirmed and derived from this experience her niche in life. Her love for academics began at the Basseterre Girls' school where she excelled and demonstrated, early on, her scholarship and brilliance. Ms. Collins' love for service started her on the way to an outstanding Nursing Career in 1942 when she began her official training at the Cunningham Hospital, now renamed the Joseph N. Frances General Hospital. She would continue her studies obtaining the General Midwife Certificate from the Central Midwives Board of England. With grounded nursing credentials she began her career at the Basseterre Sugar Factory Medical Center where she was the Nurse in charge from 1948-1957. In 1957 she was granted the Obstetrical Nursing and Public Health "Scholarship" at the International Cooperation Administration of Puerto Rico. To answer the call of a nurse's shortage, she moved to St. Thomas, United States Virgin Islands to lend support. Her work and dedication to patients afforded her the House Supervisor position at the Knud-Hansen Memorial Hospital where she went on to become the Acting Head Nurse on the Medical Surgical Unit. Having received letters of meritorious service, she came to New York in 1959 with impeccable nursing credentials. She passed the New York State Board, received her license as a Registered Nurse by the New York State Education Department, and joined the staff of the prestigious New York Hospital-Cornell University Medical College; and she became a nurse specialist in obstetrical, gynecological, medical, and urological surgery. Ms. Collins never forgot her roots, where she came from, or her homeland. Working tirelessly, she earned extra hours to purchase modern medical equipment that was used at New York Hospital so that she could send such equipment to her native Cunningham Hospital in St. Kitts. She also purchased suction machinery for stomach operations and standby blood pressure equipment and her appreciative patients at New York Hospital went on to donate equipment in her name. For the 50th Anniversary of Girl Guides in 1981, she personally donated toys to the organization and sponsored many food drives. Over the years she has helped St. Croix and St. Kitts by returning home to nurse senior citizens in their last days and young children in need of pediatric care. In her later years, Ms. Collins has become a community activist championing community and education causes. She has been chronicled in the New York Times, the Daily News, the Times/Ledger, and the Laurelton Times. In 2006 she was the recipient of the "Senior of the Year" award (Councilman James Sanders) and the "Community Activist Award" (Elmer H. Blackburne Democratic Club). She was honored by the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc. in 1996 and holds numerous awards for meritorious service from New York Hospital. She belongs to various community based organizations that advocate for education and her desire to nurture small children inspired AACEAINC's Adopt a School Program. Ms. Collins advocates for improved hospital and health care, veterans' rights, transportation and zoning issues and the beautification of the community. She is a vital member of the AACEAINC Executive Board and a Christian woman always willing to help somebody. Dedicated to the principles of service she continues, today, to give of herself willingly and selflessly.



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*The William Samber, Sr.  
Aviation/ Math and Science Scholarship*

### *Biography*

William Samber, Sr. has roots emanating from Key West, Florida where he attended Frederick Douglas Elementary School. An apt pupil eager to be at the head of his class, even in these early years, he adhered to his mother's educational values to learn; and he was determined to reach his full potential. Raised in the church and cherishing his mother's Christian teachings, service to others was instilled in him. Early on, he strived for excellence and was desirous of making a difference. In 1933 the family moved to New York City where he attended James Fenimore Junior High School. Striving to be all that he could be and living up to his mother's expectations, he graduated as the Class Salutatorian. As a DeWitt Clinton High School student, he excelled in all his subjects but was a master of mathematics making perfect scores on Mathematics Regents Examinations. His dedication to the needy found him majoring in Sociology at the City College of New York, where he earned his first college baccalaureate degree in 1942. But something happened in the interim of his pursuit for higher education, along came the War. He volunteered for the United States Army Air Force and scored 100% on the Air Force Entrance exam. He was sent to Tuskegee Army Air Field in Alabama and became one of the "Original" Tuskegee Airmen who served in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations during World War II. To help enlisted men taking correspondence courses while in combat, he taught mathematics and other courses to them so that they could complete requirements to receive their high school diplomas. He later went on to continue his education at the State University of New York, which helped him start his education career as a teacher at George Westinghouse High School. He later went on to fulfill all requirements to become an administrator. He served as an Assistant Principal at Halsey Jr. High School and later became Principal at Roland Hayes Intermediate School 291. A brilliant scholar, Mr. Samber holds a Masters degree from Queens College in Guidance Counseling and a Masters degree in Educational Administration from Columbia University. He also earned a Professional Diploma from Fordham University and a \$5,000 scholarship to conduct a special training group in technology and open classrooms. Over the years Mr. Samber has tirelessly tutored high school students who failed algebra and plane geometry; trained paraprofessionals to work effectively with math teachers; and was the Institutional Representative of Boy Scout Troop 422 at the Calvary AME Zion Church. On March 29, 2007, William Samber, Sr. was honored for his heroism and bravery as an "Original" Tuskegee Airman receiving the Congressional Medal of Honor at the Nation's Capitol. He serves as the Education Captain of the African-American/Caribbean Education Association, where he inculcates the importance of community and leadership. He is the recipient of various honors from the community, Greater Allen AME Church, York College and Dowling College; however, his greatest reward is in knowing that he has helped somebody along life's road to a better tomorrow.



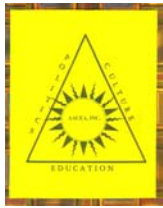
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***Hon. Ernestine Washington  
The Library Science/ English Language Arts  
Scholarship***

***Biography***

Honorable Ernestine Washington has said, "I am a child of my small, rural Gullah village background which I credit being as great a part of my up-bringing as my parents, school and church." In her small village of Sol Legare, James Island in the County of Charleston, S.C., everyone was family. The community practice of loving and caring for each other instilled in me, character, a commitment of caring and serving unselfishly. She attended public schools where she stayed on the Honor Roll and was inducted into the National Honor Society. A bright young scholar, she won a full four year scholarship to South Carolina State College in Orangeburg and graduated in 1954. Her brilliance brought her to New York where she was accepted at the prestigious Columbia University and earned an MS degree in Library Science. Her desire to return home fell short when she experienced unusual racial practices bringing her back to New York. Her enthusiasm and exemplary work awarded her the position of Branch Manager (Supervisory Librarian) becoming the "first" African-American to achieve this level in the Queens Borough Library System, as well as, the first Children's Librarian. She was responsible for overall supervision of staff, community relations, internal operations of the agency, budget, books, programs and services, and material needs of the community. She also worked in the New York City school system where she was responsible for teaching classes in library use and research, outlining expenditures on various types of materials, and writing proposals for federal funding. To her credit, the RIF (Reaching Is Fundamental) proposal was successfully awarded to her school. Her work would continue through the years and she became known as the Honorable Ernestine Washington as a result of her community activism and work on Community School Board 29, where she was overwhelmingly elected. She was the co-founder of the Laurelton Theatre of Performing Arts and the Black Librarians Caucus of New York. She presently serves as Chair of Social Concern, as Officer of Top Ladies of Distinction, Queens Empire Chapter, as Officer of the St. Albans Human Resource Center Headstart Board of Directors; and she is a member of various community organizations. She was a champion against the Multiplex Theater planned for the Springfield Gardens community and involved with Queens educators that gave students shares of common stock. She has been recognized for her exemplary service to the community by the Metro Eagles' Sports Club, the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Veterans Administration Hospital Montrose, New York, and recognized by Dr. Leroy T. Walker, President of the U.S. Olympic Committee for supporting America's Olympic athletes at the Centennial Olympic Games. Honorable Ernestine Washington serves as the Education and Politics Chair of the African-American/Caribbean Education Association. A woman of great warmth and selflessness, she lives and practices these words everyday: "It's a great pleasure serving the people of Queens and wherever I can be of service".



**African-American/Caribbean Education Association, Inc.**  
**SCHOLARSHIP FUND**  
**APPLICATION 2009-2010**

**African-American/Caribbean Education Association, Inc Scholarship Fund (Application)**

**Note:** If you are applying for more than one scholarship you must submit each separately. This application is to be used to apply to only one of the three scholarships being offered. **ONLY ELIGIBLE STUDENTS SHOULD APPLY.**  
**SEE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

***Type Information***

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_ Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security #: \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Current High School: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Are you a U.S. citizen? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ Are you a naturalized citizen? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

How do you identify yourself? Check one: I am African-American \_\_\_\_ I am Caribbean \_\_\_\_

I am applying for the \_\_\_\_ Scholarship. Check one—[If you are applying for more than one you will have to submit a separate application for each.]

\_\_\_\_ ***The Mildred Collins---* Nursing/Health Science/Medicine Scholarship**

\_\_\_\_ ***The Honorable Ernestine Washington---* Library Science/Language Arts Scholarship**

\_\_\_\_ ***The William A. Samber, Sr. ---* Aviation/Mathematics and Science Scholarship**

Will you be a full-time student in the Fall Term of **2010**? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

How are you planning to use your scholarship? Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name of Parent (s) and Address (es): \_\_\_\_\_

Father: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother: \_\_\_\_\_





**5. Attachments 3:**

- (1) copy of acceptance letter
- (2) copy of your confirmation card of attendance
- (3) copy of paid remittance to hold seat at school you will attend in the Fall

**6. Attach Essay—please reference the biography of the Honoree, in whose name appears the scholarship you are applying.**

Compose a thoughtful statement that will enable us to learn more about you, your goals, and reasons for pursuing higher education. In no more than two (2) type-written pages, double-spaced in Times New Roman 12 point font, write an essay on:

**"How I aspire to emulate the attributes and ideals of \_\_\_"**

**Mildred Collins or Hon. Ernestine Washington or William Samber Sr**

[This is the scholarship you checked with the name and field of the honoree.]

Your essay should discuss how your qualities, dreams, and personal commitment reflect your interests as that of the honoree; and how you believe you can contribute to your chosen field, your community, and society.

**7. Attach 3 letters of Recommendation (3 attachments)**

One (1) letter is "preferred" from chosen field of study related to scholarship or school faculty member.

Two (2) letters from community service organizations where applicant completed service hours attesting to applicant's leadership, level of commitment, and moral fiber.

(No relatives may submit a letter of recommendation.)

**All letters of recommendation, from field of study and community service organizations, must be provided on organization letterhead and signed with the writer's title.**

*\*Questions concerning this application may be directed to our e-mail address at:*

***aaceainc@yahoo.com***

**DEADLINE: All Applications are due on or before Saturday, May 1, 2010, applications mailed showing the postmark are unacceptable and will not be accepted after the deadline date.**

**Mail Application to: AACEAINC Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 1224, Valley Stream, NY 11582-1224**

## **Certification**

I hereby affirm that the information provided in this scholarship application is accurate in all respects; that I understand the award is contingent upon my enrollment in the accredited institution listed on my application (bursar's receipt and course registration will be required to show as proof); that funds will be used toward the cost of my education; and that I will be required to sign a promissory note "Passing It On". I further understand that if I fail to continue to meet the award criteria, I can forfeit scholarship and/or be required to repay the award.

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Print Name

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Signature

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Date

African-American/Caribbean Education Association, Inc.  
SCHOLARSHIP FUND 2009-2010

**APPLICATION**  
**ORGANIZATION OF PAPERS CHECK-OFF**

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Directions: Please use this check-off according to the number and the described attachment to be certain that you have included all items needed for review of your application and sign.

**Attachments: Ten (10) and Official Transcript Sent by College Advisor (#4)**

Attachment Number	Description	Check
1.	Copy of SAT report with verbal, math, and writing scores	_____
2.	Copy of resume showing 2 references	_____
3.	Copy of courses being taken in senior year (those in progress and to be taken)	_____
	<i>(This is not an attachment)</i>	
4	<b>*** College Advisor notified to submit Official Transcript of grades 9-11 inclusive of senior year 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> marking period grades, with given stamped, addressed envelop to Scholarship Committee.</b>	_____
5.	Three (3) attachments:	YES _____
	1. Copy of Acceptance Letter	_____
	2. Copy of your confirmation card of attendance	_____
	3. Copy of paid remittance to hold seat at targeted school in Fall	_____
6.	Attach Essay of the Honoree in whose name appears the scholarship you are applying—Two typewritten pages, double-spaced in Times Roman 12 point font.	_____
7.	Attach 3 Letters of Recommendation:	YES _____
	1. Letter from chosen field of endeavor or school faculty member	_____
	2. Letter one attesting to community service	_____
	3. Letter two attesting to community service	_____

**Total Attachments 10 \_\_\_\_\_ Yes (check) and Official Transcript sent by College Advisor \_\_\_\_\_ YES (check)**