



**Pike County Branch
National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
(NAACP)**

"To Thine Own Self Be True"

February 17, 2020

Greetings,

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) will award five scholarship opportunities to high school graduates from the local area schools, Pike County, Goshen, Charles Henderson, Pike Liberal Arts, and New Life Christian.

Through the generosity of sponsors for our Freedom Fund Black Tie Banquet five scholarships will be awarded in 2020. Each recipient will receive a \$500 scholarship, two complimentary tickets for attendance at the Banquet on April 25th at Troy University. Applications are available at pikenaacp5051.org and each school's guidance counselor office.

The scholarships are restricted to high school graduating seniors. The application process opens February 17, 2019 through March 20, 2019. The awardees will be announced no later than March 27, 2019. The requirement is a 500-word essay on the importance of education in building and maintaining strong diverse communities.

The NAACP is committed to improving educational opportunities and proud to assist with relevant resources.

For additional information please contact Vanessa Williams @ (334) 282-5049 or email pikecountynaacp@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

Gwen Bean
President

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**Pike National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
Scholarship
2019-2020 College Academic Year**

General Instructions to Applicant

1. Return a typed or neatly printed application to your high school guidance counselor by the deadline due date.
2. Check with your guidance counselor for assistance.

1. Personal Information

Full name of applicant _____
Home telephone number _____ Email address _____
Present home address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Number of years lived in Pike County _____
Date of birth _____

2. Education

- a. What major course of study do you plan to pursue?

- b. What future business or educational career will you likely pursue after finishing college?

- c. What college(s) would you most like to attend? Please explain your reason.

d. What colleges have you applied to for admission? Proof of college acceptance is required prior to awarding scholarship.

3. Academic, athletic, service, and extra activities. Use additional pages or attach resume for sections 3a, 3b, and 3c

a. List academic awards, achievements and dates.

b. List participation in athletic activities.

c. List participation in community service and extra-curricular activities.

4. Employment History

List jobs you held in the last three years.

Employer	Dates	Hours per	Position
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5. Essay

Attach a 500-word essay on the importance of education in building and maintaining strong diverse communities.

ESSAY TOPIC

Please read the statement below and answer the essay question below, with a minimum of 500 words. The essay will be scored on adhering to the topic, format, and grammar.

STATEMENT: In America, across seemingly all spectrums, there appears to be a decline in morality. Hate groups are on the rise, political parties are at odds with each other, and the divide among the various racial groups loom large. The idea of America being a melting pot hangs in state of suspension. What is the moral trajectory for America? Where do we go from here? This mass confusion, the degradation of long held ethical standards, and the polarization that has resulted led us to our essay question below.

ESSAYQUESTION: Define morals, values, and ethics, from your personal perspective. In today's society, is it important to have morals, values, and ethics, why or why not?