

# 2019 Scholarship Application Guidelines

Blanche Ely High Alumni & Friends Association, Inc. will prayerfully award (7 - 10) \$1,000 scholarships to deserving 2019 graduating seniors at Blanche Ely High School. We continuously fundraise to replenish our scholarship fund. Our graduates deserve our financial support as they navigate the path to their career goals. In evaluating each applicant, the Scholarship Committee will consider service to the school, participation in school activities and community involvement. Although we weigh scholastic achievement, we realize that every student does not have the same advantages to enable their scholastic ability.

## APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS & SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS NEEDED:

- Must be a current graduating senior from Ely High School with a minimum 2.50 GPA
- Must submit documented proof of SAT and/or ACT scores.
- Must consent to and attend a face-to-face interview with the Blanche Ely High Alumni and Friends Association Scholarship Committee.
- With your application, you must provide an acceptance letter from the college, university or technical institution that you will be attending. You must be accepted full-time for the summer or fall semester immediately following high school graduation. Before a check can be issued for your scholarship award, you must provide the committee with your class schedule
- Applicants must assure receipt of their completed applications and requested documents by May 4th to be eligible for consideration of a 2019 Scholarship Award. Logon to <u>www.blancheelyalumniandfriends.com</u> to download an application. Applications can also be obtained from Blanche Ely High School, local churches or emailed to you by request at <u>blancheelyalumniandfriends@gmail.com</u>. Please attach the cover letter we've provided with your application and requested documents.

(NOTE: Being a relative of or affiliated with a member of the Blanche Ely High Alumni & Friends Association Board will not exclude an applicant from being an award recipient, but the personal affiliate will be omitted from the screening process involving that applicant.)

## **ITEMS NECESSARY FOR SUBMISSION OF YOUR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

All documents should be submitted in Microsoft Word / Google Docs or PDF format. Times New Roman font / size 12-point font, 1 ½ line spacing with a 1-inch margin.

- Submit a school résumé limited to one page, listing any extracurricular school activities; community involvement; number of community service hours; special recognitions and awards received at school or from the community. Also, list any work experience during high school. (10 points)
- A minimum 500-word essay telling your story, career path and career goals. State why you should receive an award and how receiving an award will affect or help you achieve your educational goal. Tell us about your life at home growing up until present.
  - What type of support do you receive from family and/or lack of;
  - What are you passionate about? (20 points)
  - o Future goals relating to education and/or career
  - How has Blanche Ely High School impacted your education?
  - o How did parental involvement or lack of impact your education?
- · Sealed copy of the applicant's official high school transcript
- Face-To-Face Interview (50 points)
- Two personal letters of recommendation from (school, church, someone influential, etc. (20 points)
- Letters should include the name, email address, and phone number of the individuals submitting references. One of the references must be a Blanche Ely faculty member or administrator.

Upon receipt and review of your application, the requested documents and us contacting your references, you will be called in for an interview. Please completed and return your completed packet asap. You will need to present a photo ID at the start of your interview and bring a parent or legal guardian with you. We suggest applicants advise references to promptly respond should we contact them.

**SELECTION AND DISBURSEMENT:** Obviously we can't give everyone scholarships that apply, but rest assured we will administer a fair selection of candidates. Recipients will be notified via email, phone and/or U.S. mail with our decision. If you are chosen to receive an award, disbursement of funds will be shortly after we receive your class schedule. Mail your application and documents to / Blanche Ely High A & F Association, PO Box 668297, Pompano Beach, FL 33066. All checks will be paid directly to the student unless the parent or legal guardian has financial control of the applicant finances by court order. No exceptions to deadlines without prior authorization.

All entries submitted to Blanche Ely High School Alumni & Friends Assoc., become property of Blanche Ely High School Alumni & Friends Assoc. Decisions of the Scholarship Subcommittee are final.

# **2019 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION COVER SHEET**

STUDENT INFO:		
STUDENT NAME		
DATE OF BIRTH		
LEGAL ADDRESS		
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
CELL PHONE #:		
STUDENT EMAIL		
PARENT INFO:		
PARENT(S) NAME		
PARENT / GUARDIAN CELL PHONE #		
HOME PHONE #		

### CHECKLIST:

- \_\_\_\_ Cumulative GPA of 2.50 or above
- Acceptance letter from college, university or technical institute you will attend written school resume
- \_\_\_\_\_ High School Transcript
- \_\_\_\_\_ 500 word essay telling your personal story, goals, etc.
- \_\_\_\_\_ (2) Personal letters of recommendation

### CHECK ONE: SCHOLARSHIP APPLYING FOR

- \_\_\_\_\_ Blanche Ely Alumni & Friends Association
- \_\_\_\_ Latoya Jordan Basketball

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