Thank you for your interest in applying for a 22nd District Delegate scholarship!

Please send your application in a manila envelope **postmarked by April 1, 2020** to:

Office of Del. Nicole A. Williams

Attn.: Dejah D. Williams

22nd District Scholarship Committee

6 Bladen Street, Room 209

Annapolis, MD 21401

**You are Eligible for this Scholarship if…**

* You are applying to / or are currently attending any college or trade school in Maryland
* You live within District 22 (If you are unsure, check mdelect.net)
* You have at least a 2.5 GPA

# How to Apply

* Create a student login on the Maryland Higher Education Commission website:<https://mdcaps.mhec.state.md.us/MDCAPS/login.aspx>
* Complete your FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) by Maryland’s deadline, **March 1**. You can do this online at<https://fafsa.ed.gov/> or by mail.
* Complete and print out the application below

# Personal Information

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| Name (Last, First, Middle Initial): | Click here to enter text. | Address (Must be located within District 22) | Click here to enter text. |
| Date of Birth | Click here to enter text. | Preferred Phone Number | Click here to enter text. |
| Preferred E-mail | Click here to enter text. |

# Education

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| High School Attended | Click here to enter text. | Are you currently in college?  Y Y  If yes, where? If no, where do you plan on attending? | Click here to enter text.  N Y |
| GPA | Click here to enter text. |

# Essay Section

Please answer ***both*** of the questions below. They should be submitted as two separate documents. Ensure that your answers are well-thought out and precise. Please write in MLA format (***Times New Roman, 12 pt. font***) and be sure to include your last name and page number in the top right-hand corner of your essays.

# Writing Portion 1

 Write at least 500 words describing your

* Leaderships skills
* Volunteer activities
* Extracurricular activities
* Employment history
* How this scholarship will help your future endeavors

# Writing Portion 2

Write an essay (not to exceed 3 pages) double spaced, on the following topic:

How does House Bill 1, the Build to Learn Act, attempt to eliminate student achievement gaps in Maryland schools based on income, race and disability?

**Rubric**

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|  | **3 Points** | **2 Points** | **1 Point** | **0 Points** |
| **Focus & Details** | Essay has a single clear, focused topic, supported by details. | Essay has a single, clear focused topic, not well supported by details. | Essay has a single topic with clear ideas, but no details. | Essay has a single topic with clear ideas, but no details. |
| **Organization** | Essay contains a strong introduction that states the main topic and provides an overview. Information is relevant and presented logically with a strong conclusion. | Introduction states main topic and provides an overview and a conclusion. | The essay addresses the topic and provides a conclusion but does not include an overview. | The essay has no clear introduction, structure or conclusion. |
| **Relevance** | Essay addresses the topic; all arguments pertain to the topic. | Essay addresses the topic to a large degree with few extraneous details. | Essay addresses the topic somewhat with significant deviations. | Essay does not address the topic. |

**What to Include in Your Application**

* A copy of your FAFSA Student Aid Report
* A transcript from your most recent educational institution (can be unofficial)
* The completed application and supplemental essays
* A clear headshot of yourself, to help us keep track of the applications.

**Scoring of your application**

Criteria (a total of 50 points is possible)

* Grades, as reported on your transcript (0-15 points)
* Your essay, which is scored according to the rubric (0-9 points)
* Extracurricular activities, leadership, volunteerism, and employment history (0-25 points)
* Other (0-1 points)

**Please note**

* Incomplete applications will not be considered. Since we receive over 150 applications each year, we do not have the time to contact those students who submit incomplete applications.
* Late applications will not be considered.
* Check the website:<https://mdcaps.mhec.state.md.us/MDCAPS/login.aspx> about the status of your application. Please do not call us.
* Awards will be announced in mid-May.