

DUNBAR BROOKS EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP Nomination Form



The **Dunbar Brooks Excellence Scholarship Award** is named in honor of Mr. Dunbar Brooks a renowned community leader, humanitarian, and education advocate. This award has been established to reaffirm the tremendous potential of Maryland's minority students as well as to inspire educators and the public in their efforts to enhance minority achievement. The award comes under the authority of the **Maryland State Conference NAACP (MSC-NAACP)**, representing NAACP branches throughout Maryland. The scholarships also represent MSC-NAACP support for local school systems as those agencies take steps necessary to increase success among all students.

The **Dunbar Brooks Excellence Scholarship Award** recognizes high school students who have demonstrated **academic accomplishment** as well as made **significant contributions** to better understanding and appreciation among diverse groups. Diverse groups include race/ethnicity, gender, age, disability, or poverty. All qualifying nominees will receive statewide recognition. The scholarships consist of two \$1000 awards and nine \$500 awards to be given to students selected from local school systems in Maryland. *

Students may nominate themselves for these awards. The awards are open to all students who are currently high school 12th graders. **To be eligible for a scholarship, the student must be a senior in a Maryland public high school with at least a 3.0 cumulative grade point average as of the end of first semester (or second quarter) of 12th grade. The student must also intend to pursue his or her education beyond high school at a postsecondary institution.** These institutions may include community colleges, universities, colleges, as well as technical, vocational, and other schools. **Also, the nominee must have demonstrated leadership in addressing diversity and helping others.**

Scholarship recipients will be notified by May 15, 2016 and also recognized at the annual Maryland State Conference NAACP Convention in the Fall.

To nominate yourself for the AIMMS Excellence Scholarship, complete the nomination formon the other side of this sheet and provide the requested information by April 20, 2016.**

*The MSC-NAACP extends sincere gratitude to Ms. Edythe Brooks, Ms. Lee Meyerhoff Hendler, Dr. Edmonia Yates, and Dr. Barbara Dezmon for their sponsorship of the 2016 Dunbar Brooks Excellence Scholarship Award.

**Additional nomination forms may be duplicated or downloaded from the MSC-NAACP website at www.naacpmd.com.

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Directions: Please follow the instructions below carefully. Make certain that you include all the information requested when you return your nomination form. **All nomination materials must be typed or printed and submitted by April 20, 2016.** Scholarship recipients will be notified by May 15, 2016 and also recognized at the annual Maryland State Conference NAACP Convention in the Fall.

Part I

Nominee's Name: _____ Phone: () _____

Nominee's Home Address: _____

School System: _____

School Attended: _____

Educational Intentions after High School: _____

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Part II Include a cover letter in which you introduce yourself and inform how being awarded this scholarship will help further your educational goals following high school graduation.

Part III Include a copy of your full transcript showing your grade point average as of the end of first semester (or second quarter) marking period of 12th grade.

Part IV Include two letters of recommendation. One letter should be from a school administrator, teacher, or counselor. The other letter must be from an individual or group outside the school. (Additional recommendation letters may also be submitted.)

Part V Submit an essay about your leadership in one or more of the following areas.

- X Academic, school, or community support for diverse students.
- X Promotion of positive intergroup relations and understanding.
- X Performance of service(s) to increase success among diverse group(s) of students.

In your essay, be sure to discuss your contributions to others and how you have helped them meaningfully.

Please return the completed form and all necessary materials by April 20, 2016 to:

*Dunbar Brooks Excellence Scholarship
Maryland State Conference NAACP
PO Box 9702
Arnold, Maryland 21012*

If there are any questions, please send them to the following email: gstansbury@naacpmd.com.