



# Ra'Shaud J. Graham Scholarship at Eastern Carolina Community Foundation

Application must be submitted by March 31.

The Ra'Shaud J. Graham Scholarship Fund was lovingly established in 2021 by Ra'Shaud's family and friends to preserve his legacy of leadership and community service in Lake City, South Carolina and beyond while providing financial support for a deserving graduating senior of a Lake City, South Carolina high school. The scholarship is a memorial to Ra'Shaud whose life was cut tragically short in 2020. This scholarship will be awarded to a student who exemplifies the positive characteristics of Ra'Shaud who believed "The life you live is the legacy you leave."

**<u>Purpose</u>**: To provide up to two \$1,000 scholarships annually to graduating students at a Florence School District Three (Lake City, South Carolina) high school to pursue higher education.

### **Qualifications:**

- 1. Be a graduating student at a Florence School District Three (Lake City, South Carolina) high school.
- 2. Be accepted to an accredited institution of higher education.
- 3. Demonstrate financial need.
- 4. Demonstrate the positive characteristics of Ra'Shaud J. Graham.

### Application process:

- The applicant must return a complete application by mail to Eastern Carolina Community Foundation, PO Box 1615, Florence, SC 29503 or by email to <u>info@easterncarolinacf.org</u> by <u>March 31</u> with:
  - A personal statement as described on page 2.
  - Your most recent official transcript of grades.
  - Proof of acceptance to or attendance at an accredited institution of higher education.
  - 2 letters of reference from adults who are not family members (forms are included.)
- 2. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed. Decisions made by the committee are final.
- 3. The scholarship is for tuition expenses and will be paid directly to the institution the student plans to attend, not to an individual.



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Personal Statement of: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Applicant Name

State why you are seeking this scholarship and how it will benefit your pursuit of higher education, achievement of life goals, and provide you with financial support. Share your achievements and community service engagement.



# Scholarship Applicant Information

| Name:  |
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| Email Address:   |
| Telephone:   |
| Present Address:   |
| Permanent Address:   |
| Parent or Guardian's Name:   |
| Address:   |
| SAT or ACT score (if applicable):  |
| High School Graduation date:   |
| Name of institution of higher education you plan to and have been accepted to attend:  |
| Address:   |
| References   |
| List two references below and provide a completed reference form for each of the persons listed with your completed application by the defined deadline. Do not list names for references of any persons who are related to you in any manner. |
| Name:  |
| Name:  |
| Certification  |
| I authorize investigation of all statements contained in this application. I understand that misrepresentation of any information may prevent me from consideration in receiving this scholarship.   |

Signature of Applicant

Date of Application



### Scholarship Letter of Reference Form

I,\_\_\_\_\_, am applying for the \_\_\_\_\_ Scholarship at Eastern Carolina Community Foundation. I authorize you to provide the Foundation with requested information about me.

Applicant's Signature

Date

1. How long have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_\_

2. What is your relationship to the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_\_

3. Please describe the characteristics that you have observed in the applicant that would help him/her be successful as he/she pursues higher education.

4. Additional comments:

Reference name:\_\_\_\_\_

Signature

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