



AFRICAN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION (ACA)

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African Community Association (ACA) announces the availability of book scholarships, to be awarded for Academic Excellence.

Decision about the scholarships will be announced during the second week of September when all applicants will be notified of the status of their application. Successful applicants will be invited to the award ceremonies as special guests of the ACA. The award ceremonies will be held on September 26, 2026, at the Hilton Garden Inn, 8971 Wilcox Dr., Twinsburg, OH 44087 in conjunction with the *African Community Association (ACA) Annual Scholarship Dinner*.

Eligibility for the Awards:

The ACA scholarships are open to students who are African nationals or born to parent(s) who are African nationals. Immediate ACA family members are not eligible to apply. Candidates must be full time students pursuing baccalaureate or graduate degrees at northeast Ohio colleges and universities. Applicants who are pursuing their education outside of northeast Ohio must be residents of northeast Ohio in the semester the award is granted. Those who have won the award within the past 12 months are not eligible.

Requirements for the Awards:

1. The applicants must:
 - have successfully completed their freshman requirements (or one semester of graduate work),
 - have earned at least a cumulative grade point average of 3.00 on a 4.00-point scale,
 - be registered for the semester in which the award is granted, and
 - submit a copy of their most current academic transcripts.
2. Applications for the awards must be made on the standard application form. Fill out the form completely and save on your computer. Then send it with the PDF copies of required documents (transcripts, extracurricular activities, etc.) to the address below.
3. The deadline for the applications is September 12, 2026.
4. **Send completed applications and all attachments to: Dr. Chris Williams, *Chair*, ACA Scholarship Committee via email, cwilliam@kent.edu, or print and send by regular mail postmarked by the deadline to 17683 Plumcreek Trail, Chagrin Falls, OH 44023.**

Note: The ACA scholarships are awarded to qualifying applicants who have demonstrated superior academic record (3.00 g.p.a. or better) with comparable civic and leadership qualities. Considerations are also given to applicants with special financial needs. Applicants may use their work schedule and pay stubs (i.e., proof of self-supporting, or working to defray academic costs) to demonstrate evidence of financial needs.

PERSONAL HISTORY:

NAME: _____ ACADEMIC STATUS: UNDERGRADUATE: _____
ADDRESS: _____ MASTERS: _____
_____ PhD: _____
_____ MAJOR: _____
PHONE NO: _____ EMAIL: _____
NATIONALITY: _____ CITY: _____ STATE/PROVINCE: _____
PARENTS ORIGINAL NATIONALITY: _____ FATHER: _____ MOTHER: _____

CURRENT ACADEMIC STATUS:

UNDERGRADUATE: _____ SEMESTER/YEAR: _____ G.P.A. _____
GRADUATE: _____ SEMESTER/YEAR: _____ G.P.A. _____
YEAR/SEMESTER OF AWARD BEING REQUESTED: _____ YEAR: _____ SEMESTER: _____
HAVE YOU RECEIVED THE BOOK SCHOLARSHIP AWARD BEFORE? : NO: _____ YES: _____ WHEN: _____

FINANCIAL STATUS:

HOW IS YOUR SCHOOLING FINANCED? CHECK ALL THAT APPLY.

SCHOLARSHIPS: _____ GRANTS: _____ LOANS: _____
SELF: _____ WORK STUDY: _____ COOP PROGRAM: _____
ARE YOU EMPLOYED DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR? NO: _____ YES: _____ FULL TIME: _____ PART TIME: _____

NAMES AND LOCATION OF SCHOOLS ATTENDED:

NAME	LOCATION	DIPLOMA

PROVIDE A LIST OF HONORS, CITATIONS, AWARDS & EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (Attach extra sheets if necessary):