

# Central California Caribbean Association Scholarship for High School Graduates Entering College

**BACKGROUND:** The Central California Caribbean Association (CCCA) promotes the on-going interaction and the continuity of Caribbean cultures amongst the diaspora in the Central Valley of California. CCCA seeks to advise, support, counsel, and assist students of Caribbean descent in their academic and social integration into Caribbean history and culture. The scholarship is meant to acknowledge the efforts of a high school graduate of Caribbean descent to further the advancement of the community.

## **ELIGIBILITY:**

1. Applicants must be of Caribbean descent and reside in the Central San Joaquin valley (Tulare, Kings, Fresno, Madera, Merced, or Stanislaus counties) **OR**  
Applicants must be a member of a household that has been a member of the Central California Caribbean Association for a minimum of three years.
2. Applicants must have a minimum GPA of **2.5**
3. Applicants must complete the requirements for high school graduation.
4. Applicants must present enrollment as a full-time student at an accredited 2 or 4-year college or university in the fall semester following their high school graduation upon receipt of scholarship.

**AWARDS:** Two students will receive \$500 scholarships to be awarded to cover college expenses. Applicants will be notified by May 24, 2024. The winner will be acknowledged at the CCCA Cultural Faire and Picnic.

**DEADLINE:** **Email or postmark date of no later than Friday May 17, 2024**

**TO APPLY:** Email application to: Genevieve Awai at [genawai@hotmail.com](mailto:genawai@hotmail.com)  
or via USPS to: CCCA, 4776 Stetson Rd., Clovis, CA 93619

Questions about applying for CCCA scholarships should be directed to Karen Gillian, CCCA Secretary at [simmonsgillian@mail.csufresno.edu](mailto:simmonsgillian@mail.csufresno.edu) by May 3, 2024

# CCCA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Completed application forms must have an email or postmark date no later than **Friday, May 17, 2024**

- The scholarship selection committee will evaluate applicants based on the quality of the essay and community service activities.
- The essay should be a maximum of 500 words in length.
- Essays are judged on writing quality and content.
- Community service may include activities during the summer and / or school year. Activities may include school-based service or activities outside of school. The depth of commitment will be considered, not just the number of activities.
- The application packet must include the following:

1. Essay – Choose one topic:

**Tell us about your Caribbean roots. This may be about your family and place of Caribbean origin.**

**Select a public figure of Caribbean descent and explain how his or her contributions might impact your life.**

2. A certified copy of your high school transcript. A copy of your college admission document.
3. Completed application form.

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Scholarship applicants will be notified of the committee's decision by May 24, 2024.

## **SUBMIT COMPLETED APPLICATION AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS TO:**

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**NOTE: Applications must be emailed or postmarked by Friday, May 17, 2024**

**Enclose a self-addressed stamped postcard if you want proof of delivery.**

Do not send applications via a mail service that requires a signature.



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**COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

Name of Organization	Dates Worked Mo. & Yr.		Responsibilities
	From	To	
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**CO-CURRICULAR (BAND, DEBATE, SPORTS, STUDENT GOVERNMENT, THEATER)**

Activity	Role or Office / Instrument or Position on Team	Dates Worked Mo. & Yr.		Explain if participation was part of course or outside of class time
		From	To	

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

Employer	Supervisor	Dates Worked Mo. & Yr		Hours per week	Responsibilities
		From	To		

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Essay topic: \_\_\_\_\_