

Arkansas Education Association Scholarships

T.E. Patterson Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship

This \$500 scholarship is awarded yearly to five African-American college students in Arkansas. Each year this scholarship also honors the memory of a distinguished African-American educator. The deadline for scholarship applications is FEBRUARY 17, 2012. All applications must be completed with documents by the deadline, or they will not be considered.



Eligibility

Applicant must be a member of Student-AEA and an African-American junior or senior in an accredited teacher education program in an Arkansas college or university.

Application

To apply, contact your Student AEA advisor or the head of your college department or education for an application. You may also obtain an application by writing:

T.E. Patterson Scholarship
Arkansas Education Association
1500 West 4th Street
Little Rock, AR 72201-1064
(501) 375-4611

About T.E. Patterson

AEA honors T.E. Patterson for his contributions to education in the form of a scholarship funded by the ATA Endowment Program. Patterson served as executive secretary of the Arkansas Teachers Association and organized such efforts as the ATA Citizen Education Program, urging African-Americans to vote. His term saw the construction of a new ATA headquarters and laid the groundwork for the merger of AEA and ATA.

About the ATA Endowment Program

Funding for this scholarship is provided by the ATA Endowment Program as a living memorial to the Arkansas Teachers Association. The Endowment also provides for the T.W. Coggs In-Service Grant.

ATA was organized to secure equality of educational opportunities for every child and equality of professional status for every teacher in Arkansas. The Endowment provides motivation and helps to develop opportunities for young people of African-American descent to enter the teaching profession, and it helps to advance the placement of qualified African-American educators in schools throughout Arkansas.

Following the merger of the Arkansas Education Association and Arkansas Teachers Association, the ATA building was sold in July 1970. The net proceeds from the sale were invested, and the interest is used to finance this program.

The AEA Human and Civil Rights Committee will serve as a policy-making group to set up and implement the endowment program.

AEA Human and Civil Rights Committee

Brenda Brown, Helena/West Helena EA, Chair
Nyree Austin-Tinzie, Forrest City EA
Carolyn Briggs, Benton EA
Kimberly Brown, Fort Smith CTA
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A \$500 scholarship for an African-American junior or senior in an accredited teacher education program in an Arkansas college or university. Applicant must be a member of S-AEA to be eligible. Application should be filed only by those who will be juniors or seniors in the upcoming academic year.

Please complete this application carefully and mail it with items A, B, C and D from page 2 before February 17, 2012 to:
T.E. Patterson Scholarship, Arkansas Education Association, 1500 West 4th Street, Little Rock, AR 72201-1064.

Personal Information

Name _____

School Address _____ Phone _____

Permanent Address _____ E-mail _____

Date of Birth _____ Age _____ Gender _____

Ethnic Origin: American Indian/Alaska Native Asian/Pacific Islander Hispanic
 Caucasian (not of Spanish origin) African American (Black)

Parents/Guardian/Spouse (please specify)

Name _____

Address _____

Parent, Guardian or Spouse's Occupation _____

Other Source of Income _____

Number of Brothers/Sisters/Dependents (please specify) _____

Education

High School Diploma from:

Name _____

Address _____ Date of Graduation _____

College or University you are attending:

Name _____

Student ID# _____

Education, continued

Years Attended _____ College Hours _____ GPA _____

Major _____ Minor _____

Degree(s) toward which you are working _____

Anticipated date of graduation _____

Financial Information

What are your expected principal sources of revenue for educational purposes this year?

Check one or more:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Self employment | <input type="checkbox"/> Work aid |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Funds from parents | <input type="checkbox"/> Loan |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarship | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |

To what amount are you presently indebted for your college education? _____

Professional Plans

Do you definitely plan to teach upon graduation? _____

Do you plan to teach in Arkansas? _____

What subjects and/or grade level do you plan to teach? _____

If you should receive this scholarship, would you promise to teach in Arkansas for at least two years after you graduate from college? _____

Applicant must currently be and must agree to remain a member of his or her professional education organization.

References

Enclose with this completed application:

- A. A letter of recommendation from TWO of the following persons from your college
 1. Dean or chairman of education
 2. Your major professor
 3. Your college advisor or S-AEA chapter advisor
 4. Director of financial aid
 5. A current instructor in your major field
- B. A biographical sketch (not to exceed 150 words)
- C. Two paragraphs on "Why I Plan to Enter Teaching"
- D. A transcript of your college credits