



**YMCA OF CENTRAL FLORIDA &
SOUTHWEST ORLANDO JAYCEES**



**ARTHUR "PAPPY" KENNEDY
SCHOLARSHIP**

Application Deadline: February 15, 2021



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ABOUT THE ARTHUR "PAPPY" KENNEDY SCHOLARSHIP

In 1973 Arthur "Pappy" Kennedy changed the course of local history when he was elected to the Orlando City Council. As the first Black elected official, he not only set a precedent in Orlando politics, but also a standard for living and unity. Pappy's governmental influence affected the building of Hankins Park, the landscaping of Parramore Street, and the organization of the Orlando Negro Chamber of Commerce. His influence in the community was felt through Meals on Wheels, the United Negro College Fund, the NAACP, and his advocacy for the poor.

The YMCA of Central Florida and the Southwest Orlando Jaycees will award a **\$1,500** Arthur Pappy Kennedy Scholarship to a deserving minority high school student in an effort to assist with post-secondary educational pursuits and cost of books. Recipients must be available for award presentation.

Outstanding minority high school students are encouraged to apply who plans to matriculate at a post-secondary institution by Fall 2021. Applicants must be in good academic standing, demonstrate strong leadership and community service.

PURPOSE OF THE SCHOLARSHIP

The scholarship is designed to assist minority high school seniors who are academically motivated and plan to matriculate into an accredited post-secondary institution of their choice in the Fall of 2021, but may lack the finances to cover all of the cost associated with attendance and/or books.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

For scholarship eligibility, students must fulfill the following requirements:

- Completed scholarship application by February 15th
- Participation in school leadership activities and/or extra-curricular programs
- Strong volunteer/charitable service record
- Overall G.P.A. of 2.5 or better (copy of current transcript or report card required)
- Two (2) letters of recommendation from either of the following:
 - ◊ High School Counselor (submitted on high school letterhead)
 - ◊ Teacher (submitted on high school letterhead)
 - ◊ Church Leader
 - ◊ Mentor
- 500-750 word typed essay (essay instructions attached)



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SCHOLARSHIP AWARD AND NOTIFICATION

The YMCA of Central Florida and the Southwest Orlando Jaycees will award scholarships to a selected student. The student will be selected on the basis of academic performance, quality of their essay, volunteer/charitable service record and participation in school leadership and/or extra-curricular programs. All essays will be reviewed by the Arthur Pappy Kennedy Scholarship Committee.

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Scholarship Award Notification: March 5, 2021

If awarded, the scholarship(s) will be disbursed no later than **October 2021** after receiving verification documentation that students are enrolled into their college/university of choice.

APPLICATION COMPLETION INSTRUCTIONS

Handwritten applications will not be accepted. All qualified scholarship applications must be typed for consideration. In addition, two Letter of Recommendation Certification forms must be submitted, as well as two letters of recommendation should be attached along with your application.

QUESTIONS OR FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Questions and general information will be addressed by **email only** at jboyd@cfymca.org. Please indicate Arthur "Pappy" Kennedy in the subject line. All emails will be returned within 24 business hours.



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APPLICATION DATE:

STUDENT PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name

Gender

Race / Ethnicity

Date of Birth

Street Address

City

State

Zip Code

Telephone Number

Cell Number

Email

Parent Name

Parent Telephone Number

Parent Email

SECTION B: EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

High School / Address

Current Grade

GPA

Expected College Major

Expected College in Fall 2021

SECTION C: LEADERSHIP / EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITES

Please indicate any leadership or extra-curricular activities you have been involved in (sports, clubs, Y programs, etc.)

Organization Name	Activity Description	Contact Person	Phone Number



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SECTION D: COMMUNITY SERVICE

Please indicate your volunteer / charitable service hours you have completed.

Organization Name	Activity Description	Hours Completed	Contact Person	Phone Number

SECTION E: CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that all information on this application is true and accurate. I am fully aware that any misrepresentation will result in disqualification of my application.

Student Signature

Date

Parent / Guardian Signature

Date

SECTION F: PERSONAL ESSAY

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s assassination took place 52 years ago on Thursday, April 4, 1968 in Memphis, Tennessee. Dr. King penned this quote, *"Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate ; only love can do that."* In 500—750 words, please provide at least two ways you can fight against the spread of hate and encourage love for others in your community.



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SECTION G: APPLICATION CHECKLIST

It is the student's responsibility to submit all requested material by the February 15th deadline. All requested information must be submitted as one packet (no piece mail) via email or postmarked by February 15th if sent by mail. **Incomplete applications will not be considered.**

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Applicant's Name

Date

Please check all items included in this application:

_____ Student Application Form

_____ Copy of Current Official Transcript

_____ Two Letters of Recommendation

_____ Two Letters of Recommendation Certification Forms

_____ 500—750 Word Typed Student Essay

Please forward completed application packet to:

Email: jboyd@cfymca.org

Mail:

Jocelyn Boyd

Attn: Arthur Pappy Kennedy Scholarship

YMCA of Central Florida

433 N. Mills Avenue

Orlando, FL 32803



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LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION CERTIFICATION FORM

Please write legibly and complete the below requested information along with your attached letter of recommendation for the scholarship applicant.

Name of Applicant

Submitted By

Title / Relationship

Organization

Phone

Email

Date

The above-named student is applying for the Arthur "Pappy" Kennedy Scholarship. Please submit a letter of support with this document indicating why they should receive the award. If possible, your letter should be submitted on letterhead or official organizational paper. Please place this form and recommendation letter in an envelope and return to the student for submission with their application.

Thank you,
Arthur "Pappy" Kennedy Scholarship Committee



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