



THE ATLANTA JAMAICAN ASSOCIATION, Inc.  
P. O. Box 2207, Lithonia, GA 30058  
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February 20, 2025

Dear Sir/Madam:

We are requesting your assistance in distributing the information below inviting graduating high school students to apply for scholarship awards offered by The Atlanta Jamaican Association, Inc. (AJA).

AJA is a non-profit organization that was founded in 1977 to promote friendship, unity, and understanding between the peoples of Jamaica and the United States. As part of this effort, a scholarship program was established to assist college-bound high school students of Jamaican ancestry in the first year of their higher educational pursuits.

Candidates are required to submit an application which includes a Curriculum Vita (Resume), a one-page essay from a list of topics provided by the Education committee, and other requirements listed on the application. Involvement in school and community activities and academic ability will be additional factors in the selection of the recipients. Members of the AJA Education Committee will conduct virtual interviews with students who have been shortlisted and notify successful candidates by the end of **May 25, 2025**. The formal presentation of scholarships will take place at the Annual Atlanta Jamaican Association Independence Ball and Scholarship Awards Ceremony in Atlanta on **Saturday, August 9, 2025**.

The completed application form and agreement, transcript, and Curriculum Vitae should be emailed no later than **April 30, 2025** to [ed@atlantajamaicanassociation.org](mailto:ed@atlantajamaicanassociation.org). Please send all required documents in one message with the subject line, **AJA Scholarship 2025, [First Name, Last Name]**.

Thanks for your support in this endeavor.

Sincerely,

AJA Education Committee  
Email: [ed@atlantajamaicanassociation.org](mailto:ed@atlantajamaicanassociation.org)



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**THE ATLANTA JAMAICAN ASSOCIATION, INC. SCHOLARSHIP AWARD**

### **General Information for Applicants**

#### **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

Applicants must satisfy all requirements below:

- (1) An incoming first year student
  - **At least one parent/guardian must be of Jamaican heritage.**
  - **Students applying from Jamaica can either be accepted to attend college or university in Jamaica or overseas with the requisite visa.**
- (2) Demonstrate financial need.
- (3) Hold a minimum of 3.5 Grade Point Average or equivalent.
- (4) Provide proof of college acceptance.
- (5) **Submit completed Application Form, signed Agreement, copy of Transcript, and curriculum vitae by the deadline date.**

**DEADLINE** All materials should be emailed to the Scholarship Committee, **no later than April 30, 2025**

**AJA Education Committee:** [ed@atlantajamaicanassociation.org](mailto:ed@atlantajamaicanassociation.org)



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**THE ATLANTA JAMAICAN ASSOCIATION, INC.  
SCHOLARSHIP AWARD APPLICATION FORM**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_ Birthplace \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's Birthplace \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Father's Birthplace \_\_\_\_\_

High School \_\_\_\_\_ University/College \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Admission \_\_\_\_\_ Planned Course of Study \_\_\_\_\_

Additional information:

**Write at least one paragraph outlining your financial NEEDS and how you plan to apply this scholarship if awarded. Use additional page if necessary.**

Office held or special responsibilities:

Scholarships, distinctions and /or honors:



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Community activities:

Personal and career goals:

Extra-curricular Activities:

Please write a one-page essay on one of the following two topics.

1. **What does your Jamaican heritage mean to you?**
2. **Which Jamaican - living or dead - captivates you most? Why?**



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### THE ATLANTA JAMAICAN ASSOCIATION, INC. AWARD AGREEMENT

In applying for this scholarship, I agree to abide by the rules, regulations, practices, and policies of The Atlanta Jamaican Association, Inc. that govern this award. I also agree to serve as a Youth Ambassador for the AJA for a minimum of 1 year. In this capacity, I will help the AJA further their cause by including young people and helping with social media outreach.

- I further agree to accept the decision of the judges as final.
- I agree that all funds received from the Association will be used for educational purposes.
- I authorize The Atlanta Jamaican Association, Inc. to verify any or all of the information supplied with this application.

**Your signature also gives us permission to use your name, photographs, and/or application in any AJA's media or materials without compensation. AJA may use applicant materials to advertise and promote the Scholarship Program and to raise additional funds.**

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Students should not apply unless they meet the requirements listed. All information supplied will be treated as strictly confidential and will be used solely for this scholarship. All material provided about this award will become the property of The Atlanta Jamaican Association, Inc. The Association reserves the right to publish or dispose of such material in the manner it chooses. The Atlanta Jamaican Association, Inc. reserves the right to revise the rules for the scholarship if the Association finds it necessary.