

Scholarship Criteria for the Eureka NAACP David Josiah Lawson Memorial Scholarship

Purpose: The David Josiah Lawson Memorial Scholarship awards funds to college bound Black, Brown and Indigenous high school seniors, based on academic achievement and to serve their community.

Criteria: The students eligible for this award must be graduating high school seniors who reside in Humboldt County California or attend Rancho Verde High School in Moreno Valley California. The students must identify as Black, Brown or Indigenous and have been accepted into a four-year University. The students must have demonstrated academic achievement and have a history of community service.

Guidelines: Scholarships will be awarded on an annual basis and distributed one month prior to the first day of college. Students must continue to attend classes and maintain no lower than a 3.0 grade point average.

Amount: Two scholarships will be awarded each year. Each scholarship awarded will be a one-time award of \$500 to one high school senior from Humboldt County California and one high school senior attending Rancho Verdes High School in Moreno Valley California.

Deadlines: The application must be postmarked no later than March 1st. The deadline is the date after which applications will no longer be accepted. Interviews will be scheduled starting April 1st. Scholarship recipients will be announced by May 20th.

Application: To apply send your name, mailing address, phone number and email to the Eureka NAACP, POB 1434, Eureka CA 95502. The application process will include submission of sealed official transcripts, an essay and an in-person interview. A copy of the University's acceptance letter must also be submitted.