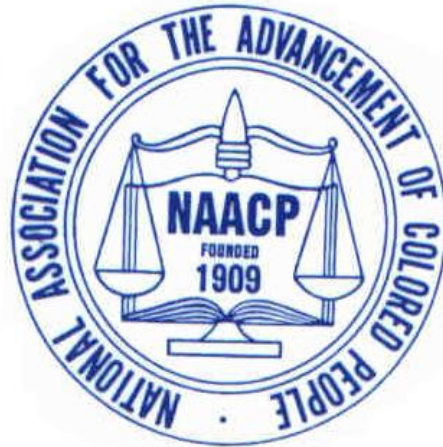


THE HONORABLE CARL B. STOKES SCHOLARSHIP FUND



Scholarship applicant must:

1. Submit a completed scholarship application form with personal essay.
2. Two letters of recommendation (one must be from a school official).
3. School transcript.
4. Participate in a personal interview with the Scholarship committee which will be held within two weeks after the deadline.
5. Return all requested material to the NAACP office by the May 1, 2017 deadline.

Scholarship awards will be presented at the Cleveland Branch NAACP Freedom Fund Dinner held annually in June.

For additional information or questions contact Arlene Anderson, Secretary at 216-231-6260.

CARL BURTON STOKES SCHOLARSHIP FUND



The Carl Burton Stokes Scholarship was established by the family to celebrate his life and memory. The fund provides awards annually to High School Seniors in the Greater Cleveland area. The award recipients should exhibit the following characteristics of Stokes' life: outstanding courage; faith; community service; a love of life learning; and a zest for life.

Scholarship applications should be submitted to Carl B. Stokes Scholarship Committee by the deadline indicated on the application.

The application should include; an essay of 300-500 words, relating the applicant's background, educational plans and how the applicant exhibits

the personal characteristics cited above; school transcripts; and two recommendations; one from a school official and/or a second from another individual such as clergy, medical professional, employer, etc.

Scholarship recipients will be presented with awards at the Cleveland Branch NAACP Freedom Fund Dinner, held annually in June.

Scholarship awards will be in the amount of \$1,000.00 per recipient.

Academic achievement - 2.5 grade point average and above.

CARL B. STOKES – BIOGRAPHY

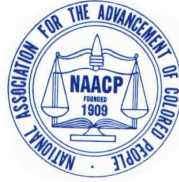
Carl Stokes was born on June 21, 1927. He was an African-American lawyer, and political leader.

Carl Burton Stokes was only two years old when his father, a laundry worker, died. His widowed mother supported him and his older brother Louis by working as a domestic. At one time the family was on welfare. He helped support his family by working as a newspaper carrier and in neighborhood stores. He dropped out of high school and went to work in a foundry. At 18, he entered the Army; he received an honorable discharge as corporal and returned to school. Stokes got his high school diploma in 1947.

After graduating, he supported himself by working as a dining car waiter. He earned a B.S. degree in law at the University of Minnesota in 1954. Two years later, he received his L.L.B. degree from night law school in 1956 as a graduate of the Cleveland Marshall School of Law. In 1962, he became the first African-American democrat to be elected to the Ohio Legislature as a Democratic member of the Ohio general assembly until 1967. During that time, (1965) he narrowly lost a race for mayor of Cleveland.

In 1967, he ran again and became the first African American to be elected mayor of a major American city. Stokes' election was a turning point for African American politicians, many of whom thought that a glass ceiling restricted them from attaining high political office in American. He was reelected in 1969, but after his second term he left politics to become a news broadcaster in New York City. He returned to Cleveland in 1980 as general counsel to the United Auto Workers. Three years later, Stokes was elected municipal court judge, serving two terms as head of the court. He then served (1994–95) as ambassador to the Seychelles. Carl Stokes died in 1996.

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2017 CARL B. STOKES SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ M: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Name of High School: _____ Grade Point Average: _____

Student's Home Phone No. _____ Student's Alternate Phone #. _____

Student's Email: _____

Senior Advisor's Name (Counselor): _____ Advisor's Phone No: _____

Awards/Honors: _____

Community Involvement: _____

Organization Affiliations/Clubs: _____

Extra-Curricular Activities: _____

Goals and Ambitions: _____

Name of college/university you plan to attend?

Prospective major _____

Other scholarship aid or grants for which you have applied _____

Personal Statement/Essay 300-500 words. Please submit a typed version of your essay with the application:

“How will you contribute to the Black community after graduation?”

I affirm the information that I have provided on this application is complete, accurate and true to the best of my knowledge. The furnishing of false information may result in the revocation of my award of financial assistance.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Application deadline: May 1, 2017

Return applications to:

Cleveland Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People

16400 Miles Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44128

Phone: 216-231-6260 Email: clevelandnaacp@yahoo.com