

Mrs. Mary E. Greenwood

**Educational Excellence
Scholarship Program**



Application and Guidelines

2021-22 Academic Year

2022 Mary E. Greenwood Scholarship Application Guidelines

General Information

The Mary E. Greenwood Scholarship Program provides financial awards to deserving African-American students pursuing a degree from an accredited institution of higher learning. For the 2021-2022 school year, there are five categories of awards.

Award Categories

The Mary E. Greenwood Student Legacy Award

- For a student who is the child or grandchild of a former student of Mrs. Greenwood

The Mary E. Greenwood Community Impact Award

- For a student who has made an extraordinary impact to their community through service

The Mary E. Greenwood Resilience Award

- For a student who has overcome a significant hardship or challenge to excel academically

The Mary E. Greenwood Young Man of Distinction

- For a young man who exemplifies commendable qualities of leadership, scholarship and character

Eligibility Requirements

Applicants who are high school seniors in Lauderdale County high schools and meet the following criteria are eligible to apply.

- ❑ African-American heritage
- ❑ Plan to enroll as a full-time college student during the 2022-23 school year
- ❑ Minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale. For Resilience Award, minimum GPA is 2.5.
- ❑ Demonstrate significant leadership skills and abilities
- ❑ Have participated in community service via volunteer activities—either on or off campus

Application Requirements

- ❑ Completion of the official application
- ❑ Submission of official high school transcript by guidance counselor
- ❑ Three letters of recommendations from adults, not related to the applicant in the following areas:
 - 1) A high school administrator (*i.e. teacher, guidance counselor, principal, etc.*)
 - 2) A community leader who is familiar with your community involvement
 - 3) Either a high school administrator, a community leader or employer, if applicable

Additional Guidelines

- Applications must be complete for consideration.
- Read the application carefully and complete all sections.
- Include a personal statement as requested on the application.
- Request that your letters of recommendation be sent directly to Scholarship Administrator.
- You may apply for only one category of award—even if you qualify for multiple categories.

Timeline

- Application submission begins: March 23, 2022
- Applications must be submitted by: April 22, 2022

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Please list and describe briefly your extracurricular student activities. Your list may include both academic and athletic. Indicate any leadership roles held, if applicable.

(Please type this information. Feel free to attach a separate sheet if you prefer.)

COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES

Describe any activities in which you have participated that benefit your community. Include the approximate dates and length of time of involvement.

(Please type this information. Feel free to attach a separate sheet if you prefer.)

PERSONAL GOALS *(500 words or less)*

How have your leadership experiences, honors and awards, career plans and extracurricular activities impacted your plans for the future? Describe how your college education can help you successfully achieve your goals.
(Please type this information. Feel free to attach a separate sheet if you prefer.)

STATEMENT OF RESILIENCE—For Resiliency Award Applicants only *(500 words or less)*

If you are applying for the Resiliency Award, include an additional statement about a hardship or obstacle that you had to overcome in order to succeed.

(Please type this information. Feel free to attach a separate sheet if you prefer.)

DECLARATION BY APPLICANT

I certify that all of the information contained in my application package is accurate to the best of my knowledge and that all essays submitted are of my original compositions.

Date: _____ Signature: _____

