

**Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial
Foundation Scholarship
Application 2024**



**“The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence plus character—that is the goal of true education.”
--Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.**

Application Deadline: FEBRUARY 16, 2024

Send completed application and attachments to:

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Kankakee, IL 60901

OR

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The Education Advisory Committee, under the auspices of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Foundation, formed the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Academic Scholarship Fund.

The Foundation provides financial awards to graduating high school seniors from Kankakee County who demonstrate academic ability, financial need, good general character, and a desire to attend college.

Goals of the Scholarship Program

1. To provide financial assistance to deserving Kankakee County graduating high school seniors
2. To allow for the development of potential leaders from Kankakee County
3. To recognize high school graduates who have demonstrated service to the school, community, or church, as well as good academic ability and a financial need

Procedures for applying (all four must be submitted)

1. **Complete the scholarship application**
2. **Attach an official high school transcript or statement signed by high school counselor showing Grade Point Average (GPA).**
Official ACT or SAT scores are OPTIONAL.
3. **Write in your own style, using your own words, the answers to these four questions: (Use page 6 of the form or a separate sheet of paper)**
 - a. **Please tell us about yourself. How do you view yourself in terms of school now and in the future?**
 - a. **What are your future goals?**
 - b. **Where do you think you need the most improvement (academically, socially, personally, or other)?**
 - c. **How would you benefit from the MLK, Jr., Scholarship?**
4. **Attach a copy (to this application) of the ACCEPTANCE LETTER from your college of choice.**

Instructions

*Answer all the questions completely and accurately, using black ink, legibly written, a typewriter, or text boxes via a computer.

Personal Information

Name _____

Last

First

Middle

Home Address _____

Number and street

City

State

High School Attending _____

Contact numbers: Home: _____ Cell: _____

E-mail address: _____

Father's Name: _____

Last

First

Mother's Name: _____

Last

First

Statement of Parent or Guardian

I have read the attached statement of intent, expenses and resources, and others details, and verify that to the best of my knowledge, the information presented is accurate, with no intentional effort to misrepresent the applicant.

Date _____ Signature of Parent or Guardian _____

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Statement of Intent:

Proposed occupation or profession _____

Brief statement about why this field of study is chosen:

Statement of Family Income

Father's occupation _____ annual net income _____

Mother' occupation _____ annual net income _____

List other assets or resources of father and mother _____

List amount of disposable family income which could assist applicant with college expenses:

List other members in the immediate family _____

Provide details about family obligations or assets which might be helpful in evaluating the applicant's available funds for college. _____

NOTE – Awards are given in the form of non-binding loans with the hope that someday the applicant will be able to assist others in Kankakee County to attend college.

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College Costs and Applicant's Resources

1. Total cost for one year at the college of applicant's choice, including tuition, fees, books, room and board. _____
2. Resources available to the applicant to offset these costs, such as employment, parental assistance, loans, grants, and other sources _____

3. Explain the alternate plan to meet your goal if your financial resources do not meet the cost of your college choice (community college, waiting a semester, and others)

Applicant's Experience

1. List activities in high school, such as music, sports, clubs, and others

2. List community or church involvement

3. List employment experience and length of time employed

