

DR. RENEE H. LACEY

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



Dr. Lacey provided our nontraditional students with love, support, kindness, leadership, and modeled a passion for doing what was best and needed for our students. Her dedication to our nontraditional community was constant even when the proverbial seas were rough; she served as our lighthouse during the most challenging times and helped all of us reach shore safely. This only touches on a small portion of her character and not only what, but how she gave to so many students, parents, and staff throughout the years. Her unconditional devotion to our vision of serving our most underserved youth, regardless of the barriers students faced, her support was nothing short of inspirational. No matter the obstacle a person faced, she always believed and reiterated that, “It is well”.

Scholarship awards are contingent upon available resources.

- Only complete applications will be reviewed.
- The application deadline is May 31, 2019.
- Faxed, emailed, late and/or incomplete applications will not be considered.
- Return the completed application packet to: OSMAP Office, Prince William County Public Schools, P. O. Box 389, Manassas, Virginia 20108.
- Applicant must have participated in a nontraditional program such as:
 - GED
 - Computer-Based Instruction (CBI)
 - Independence Nontraditional School
 - Juvenile Detention Center
- All applicants must graduate by August 1, 2019.

Applicant must submit the following documents in an original format:

- A completed application form.
- No more than two sealed letters of reference. One letter must be from a PWCS Nontraditional staff member. The optional letter can be from a school, community, civic, and religious leaders. Reference letter should include:
 - Name of organization in which applicant is involved;
 - Name and position of person providing the reference;
 - Length of time the applicant has been involved with the institution;
 - Explanation of the applicant's involvement in the organization's activities;
 - Current and past roles and responsibilities of the applicant; and
 - Applicant's accomplishments in the organization.
- A well-written; original; double-spaced typed essay, consisting of a minimum of 250 words. Essay will be evaluated and rated on organizational structure, development of topic, clarity, creativity, and the use of the English language conventions (spelling, grammar, punctuation, etc.). Essay must include one of the topics below, and how this scholarship will be helpful and assist with continuing the applicant's education.

The essay must address one of the following topics:

- Evaluate a significant experience, achievement, risk you have taken, or ethical dilemma you have faced, and its impact on you.
- Discuss some issue of personal, local, state, national, or international concern and its importance to you.
- Describe a character in fiction, a historical figure or a creative work (as in art, music, science, etc.) that has had an influence on you and explain that influence.
- What you see as the greatest threat to the environment today and what you recommend as a resolution.
- Describe an activity that you have participated in that shows your leadership potential for the future.

Note: Essay must include how this scholarship will be helpful and assist with continuing the applicant's education. Please note that the essay must come from one of the prompt choices.

Selection:

- Based upon grade-point average, academic potential, school and community involvement, references, essay, an interview, and the timely return of the application.

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Student Management, 703.791.8577

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(Please type or print legibly in black ink.)

Last name: _____ First name: _____

Middle name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip code: _____

Home phone number: _____ Cell: _____

Date of birth: _____

Name of parent(s)/guardian(s): _____

Telephone numbers for parent(s)/guardian(s): _____

Are you emancipated? Yes No

Are you employed? Yes No

Place of employment: _____

High school(s) attended and dates:

Address and telephone number for the school from which you are graduating: _____

Membership and positions held in school clubs and organizations: _____

Membership and positions held in community organizations: _____

Other activities and hobbies: _____

Honors and/or awards received during high school: _____

List all colleges or Trade Schools to which you have applied or will apply:

Name of college/Trade School	City	State
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_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
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List all scholarships and/or grants you have been awarded:

What is your goal or plan for the future and how will this scholarship benefit you? _____

I hereby certify that:

- All information submitted in this application is true and correct. I give the Office of Student Services permission to verify any information contained in this package, as necessary.
- I am a student intending to enroll in a Trade School, college or university's degree or certification program.
- Any funds received from SPARK Education Foundation will be used solely for the purpose of paying for educational expenses, i.e., tuition or books.
- I understand the College Verification Form has to be completed and returned to SPARK Education Foundation prior to funds being disbursed and that funds will be sent directly to the college or Trade School.
- SPARK Education Foundation will be notified in writing immediately if there should be any change or interruption in plans to enroll in a college or Trade School.

Signature of applicant: _____ Date: _____

Signature of parent/guardian: _____ Date: _____

(The application packet must be received in the OSMAP Office, Prince William County Public Schools, P. O. Box 389, Manassas, Virginia 20108 on or before Friday, May 31, 2019.)