



Linked in Friendship, Connected in Service
Petersburg (VA) Chapter

The Members of the Petersburg (VA) Chapter, The Links, Incorporated are happy to include in this letter information related to the 2020 Evelyn Berry Scholarship. We invite you to inform your students and give all who are interested an opportunity to apply. The application may also be accessed at <https://petersburglinks.com>. and may be completed online. The application packet including reference letters, official transcript, and other portions of the application must be submitted to us postmarked on or before March 31, 2020. Mail the application packet to:

Petersburg Links Chapter, Incorporated

Evelyn Berry Scholarship

Attention: Yvonne D. Williams, Scholarship Chairman

P. O. Box 1143, Petersburg, Virginia 23804

Please read all information within this packet and we ask your students as well as their parents/guardians to do the same. We are offering four scholarships. Each is offered to any and all students who qualify.

Scholarship Categories

Award for Academic Excellence	\$1,500.00	High School senior cumulative GPA 3.5 or higher
HBCU	\$1,500.00	High School senior, cumulative GPA 3.0 or higher, Attend an HBCU
Graduate of Petersburg High School	\$1,500.00	High School senior, cumulative GPA 3.0 or higher, plans to attend Virginia State University
Community Service Award	\$1,500.00	High School senior, cumulative 2.0 or higher, 100 hours of community service

We thank you for your willingness to help us as we continue to provide this avenue to enrich the lives of young people within our service area.

Sincerely,

Ernestine Wilson

Shandra Claiborne-Payton

Belinda Piercy

Linda Smith

Yvonne Williams, Chairman

Scholarship Committee

Due 3/31/20



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Please select the scholarship for which you wish to apply:

_____ **Award for Academic Excellence** – Candidate must be a high school senior with a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher. (1) \$1,500.00

_____ **Historically Black College or University Award** – Candidate must be a high school senior with a cumulative GPA of 3.00 or higher. Candidate will enroll and attend and HBCU. Failure to do so will result in the award being rescinded. (1) \$1,500.00

_____ **Graduate of Petersburg High School** to attend Virginia State University- Candidate must be a high school senior with a GPA of 3.00 or higher who plans to attend VSU. Failure to do so will result in the award being rescinded. (1) \$1,500.00

_____ **Community Service Award** – Candidate must be a high school senior with a cumulative GPA of 2.50 or higher and evidence of having performed over 100 hours of community service. (1) \$1,500.00



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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT YOUR ANSWERS.			
1.	Last Name:	First Name:	Middle Name:
2.	Mailing Address:		Email:
	Street:		
	City:		
	State:	ZIP:	Telephone: (h) (c)
3.	Date of Birth:		
	Month:	Day:	Year:
4.	Sex: (check one) Male: <input type="checkbox"/> Female: <input type="checkbox"/>		
5.	Church Affiliation (optional):		
6.	Name of Father/Guardian:		
	Occupation:		Employer:
7.	Name of Mother/Guardian:		
	Occupation:		Employer:
8.	Number of Brothers:		Ages:
9.	Number of Sisters		Ages:

10.	Financial Need: Check the line below that best describes your family's combined gross income. Income should include employment, SSI, FIA, alimony, child support, disability, etc. Proof of income is required. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ \$0 - \$14,999 ○ \$1,500 - \$29,999 ○ \$30,000 - \$49,999 ○ \$50,000 - \$74,999 ○ \$75,000 - \$99,999 ○ \$1000,000 or more 	
11.	Grade and High School Attending:	GPA at end of 1st Semester
12.	Anticipated Major:	
12.	Colleges and Universities: Name of School(s) to which you Applied and the status of your application:	
13.	Work/Volunteer Experience: Please provide organization's name, dates of service, position and number of hours worked for all work volunteer experience.	
14.	Extra-Curricular/Community Service Activities (e.g. school, religious, social groups) Please provide in bullet format and list the grade in which you participated and if you held a leadership position in the organization: (May list on a separate sheet)	

15. **Essay**
 In a five hundred (500) word essay, please share why the Petersburg (VA) Chapter, The Links, Incorporated should consider you for this scholarship. Please include goals, accomplishments, and community involvement.

16. **The following items are required for your packet to be considered complete:**

- One letter from a community service organization or institution, on official letterhead, describing a candidate’s community involvement. Service involvement must be of a voluntary nature and cannot be compensated.
- One letter from a high school official on official school letterhead regarding performance in school and extra-curricular activities.
- One-character reference letter from someone other than a relative. (A member of Petersburg (VA) Chapter, The Links, Incorporated is desirable, but not required.)
- The high school transcript must be submitted in a sealed envelope and must contain the school’s official seal. The transcript must include grades from the FALL SEMESTER of the current school year.

17. **A List of Eligibility Requirements**

- Candidate must be a high school senior who plans to attend an accredited two- or four-year college or university
- Candidate must be a United States Citizen or permanent United States resident.
- Candidate must attend one of the high schools in the Petersburg Chapter’s designated service area:

Petersburg	Appomattox Regional Governors School Petersburg High School
Southern Chesterfield	Matoaca High School Meadowbrook High School Lloyd C. Bird High School Thomas Dale High School

	Colonial Heights	Colonial Heights High School
	Prince George	Prince George High School
	Dinwiddie	Dinwiddie High School
	Hopewell	Hopewell High School
	Sussex	Sussex Central High School
	Surry	Surry High School

18. **For the Student:**
By selecting "I agree" I hereby certify that all the information provided in this application is accurate and current. I understand this application packet will be kept confidential and all materials submitted become the final property of the Petersburg (VA) Chapter, The Links, Incorporated. All applications are subject to verification.

- I Agree
- I Do Not Agree

Agreement Verification

If you have chosen, "I do not agree" for the previous question, you are unable to submit your application

Please sign and date:

Signature	Date
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