



High School Student Scholarship

2021 Application

Submit to your Local Housing Authority

Deadline for submittal – Friday, March 5, 2021

to the

Athens Housing Authority

300 S. Rocksprings Street

Athens, GA 30606

Georgia Association of Housing and Redevelopment Authorities, Inc.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP 2021 PROGRAM EXPECTED AWARDS

ACADEMIC AWARDS

\$5,000
\$2,500
\$1,500
\$1,500 SERC
\$1,000 SERC Continuing Award
\$2,500 Don McGlamory Memorial Award
\$1,000 GAHRA Continuing Award

VOCATIONAL/TECHNICAL AWARDS

\$2,000
\$1,000
\$1,000

ELIGIBILITY

1. Current resident, with at least two years of residency (not required to be consecutive), of federally assisted housing or as a recipient of assistance through the Community Development Block Grant Program.
2. Graduated or expected to graduate from High School in the 2020-2021 school year.

HOW TO APPLY AND WHAT YOU WILL NEED

1. **A Completed Electronic and Hard Copy Application.** Applications are available at your Housing Authority or Community Development Office.
2. High School Transcript through December 31, 2020.
3. Copy of SAT/ACT scores, if completed and available.
4. Source and amount of other scholarship awards, received or pending.
5. Three letters supporting the character, achievements, and advancement of applicant. One letter must be from a school official. The other letters may be from employers, ministers, or anyone with significant knowledge of the applicant.
6. A sponsorship letter from the Executive Director of your Housing Authority or the Director of your Community Development Program. The sponsoring agency must be an active member of GAHRA at the time of the application and they can only submit one academic (degree) and one technical/vocational (non-degree) application to the Scholarship Committee for the high school student award selection process.
7. The sponsoring agency must make a commitment to support travel expenses if their applicant(s) should be selected for an interview as one of the finalists. Finalists will be interviewed during the GAHRA Spring Conference, May 15-17, 2021.

Applicants are responsible for gathering and submitting all necessary information by the deadline. All of the above must be submitted in order for the application to be considered.

AWARD DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION

The school attended by the winner will administer the scholarship award.

Funds may be used for one year or longer if approved by the Scholarship Committee. Failure to continue the required course of study will cause the unused portion of the funds to revert back to the Georgia Association of Housing and Redevelopment Authorities.

DEADLINES FOR SUBMITTAL – March 19, 2021

The deadline for returning the application to the local GAHRA Member Agency or Housing Authority will be determined by the Member Agency or Authority.

The GAHRA Member Agency or Housing Authority must return the completed hard-copy application and supporting documentation no later than March 19, 2021 to:

GAHRA Scholarship Committee
Danita Wiggins
Albany Housing Authority
P.O. Box 485
Albany, GA 31702

The GAHRA Member Agency or Housing Authority must return the completed ELECTRONIC hard-copy application and supporting documentation no later than March 19, 2021 to:

Danita Wiggins
dwwiggins@albanyha.com

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING YOUR APPLICATION, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR LOCAL HOUSING AUTHORITY

OR

**DANITA WIGGINS
ALBANY HOUSING AUTHORITY
dwwiggins@albanyha.com
(229) 434-4505 ext. 1045**

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Submit to your Local Housing Authority**

Name: _____
First Middle Last

Current Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Phone Number: _____

Years you have lived at present address: _____ E-mail: _____

Sponsoring Agency: _____

Sponsoring Agency's Address: _____

Name and address of high school from which you expect to graduate:

Expected high school graduation date: _____

Type of Scholarship applying for: Academic or Vocational/Technical

Other Scholarship Awards:

<u>Source</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Received / Pending</u>

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List school(s) to which you have applied or plan to apply for admission:

<u>School</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Status of Application</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Describe extracurricular school or community activities and achievements, which provide evidence of personal motivation and initiative. Example: High School or civic club activities, church activity, sports participation, work activity, family assistance, etc.

By submitting this application, I hereby give my Housing Authority/Community Development Agency and the Georgia Association of Housing and Redevelopment Authorities, Inc. permission to use my name in matters relating to the promotion of this scholarship. In addition, I give them permission to contact my high school office for information concerning my academic record and rank. Furthermore, I understand that award of the scholarship shall be governed by any and all conditions established by the Committee.

Applicant: _____ / _____
Signature *Date*

Parent or Guardian: _____ / _____
Signature *Date*

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**Grade Point Average/Test Scores
Certification Form**

I certify that _____'s cumulative grade point
Name of Student

average as of December 31, 2020, was: _____ / on a 100 point scale
(and/or)

_____ / on a 4.00 scale

Other Scores / Test Results		
ACT	SAT	GHSGT Writing

Signature: _____ Date: _____
School Official

Title: _____

School: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

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Submission Certification

The _____ hereby submits the following
Name of Housing Authority or Community Development Agency

applicant(s) for:

Academic Award - _____
Name of Student

Vocational/Technical Award - _____
Name of Student

I certify that the _____ will cover
Name of Housing Authority or Community Development Agency

associated costs and coordinate travel arrangements if our applicant(s) is selected as a finalist to be interviewed at the GAHRA Spring Conference at Jekyll Island, Georgia on Sunday and Monday, May 15 and 16, 2021.

Signature: _____ Date: _____
Executive Director

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Checklist

Application

- Complete Application (pages 1 and 2)
- Type of Scholarship applying for checked off
- Signed by Student
- Signed by Parent or Guardian

Backup Information

- GPA Certification Form completed and signed by School Official
- Copy of High School Transcript
- Copy of SAT/ACT Scores
- Results of Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHSGT)
- Three Letters of Support (at least one from a School Official)
- Submission Certification from Housing Authority Executive Director
- Sponsorship Letter from Housing Authority Executive Director