



The Greater Grand Rapids Chapter of

**Jack AND Jill**

of America Incorporated  
HBCUTE Scholarship

Key Dates:

Application Release- October 11, 2014

Application Due- Postmarked by December 19, 2014

Recipient(s) Notification- January 4, 2014





# Scholarship Application

## Purpose

For generations, the promise of an education has been a beacon of hope for millions of Americans seeking a better life. At a time when it was deemed illegal for African Americans to learn to read or write, brave men and women took great risks to learn these skills in secret. And after the Civil War, determined individuals made extraordinary sacrifices to establish the institutions we know today as Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs). These schools waged a war against illiteracy and ignorance and offered a newly free people the opportunity to write their own chapter in the American story.

Jack and Jill of America Incorporated is proud of its relationship with Historically Black Colleges and Universities across the country and is committed to supporting these institutions in their quest to educate our children. In honor of the recently established HBCU week, the Greater Grand Rapids Chapter of Jack and Jill of America will grant a maximum of 2 scholarships to off set the cost of participation in the HBCU Tour Experience (HBCUTE).

## Eligibility

1. Applicant plans to attend a 4-year accredited college or university.
2. Applicant has identified an area of study (major).
3. Applicant must be a US citizen.
4. Applicant is willing and able to attend HBCUTE required mentoring classes.

The Greater Grand Rapids Chapter of Jack and Jill of America Inc. HBCU College Tour Scholarship Awards are awarded without regard to race, sex, religion, age, national origin or sexual orientation. The GGR Chapter of Jack and Jill of America Inc. organization will not award scholarships to applicants who are not qualified and reserves the right to not award a scholarship in a given year.



## Application Requirements

To be considered for a Greater Grand Rapids Jack and Jill of America Inc. College Tour Scholarship Award, applicants must complete an application and email it to [ggrjjoa@gmail.com](mailto:ggrjjoa@gmail.com) by December 19, 2014.

The application must include:

1. A completed application form. *Attached*
2. A student essay not to exceed 1000 words in length.

*Essay Instructions: Please write a clear, concise essay, not to exceed 1000 words in length, that conveys your commitment to education, highlights the contributions of those that came before you, and articulates the legacy you wish to leave future generations.*

## Selection Criteria

1. All eligibility criteria met
2. Clearly demonstrated interest in pursuing higher education
3. Well written, grammatically correct essay

## Awards

A maximum of two HBCUTE scholarship awards are available in amounts up to \$650 annually. All college tour scholarship awards will be paid directly to the college tour vendor affiliated with the Greater Grand Rapids Chapter of Jack and Jill of America Inc. organization.



**Application**

**The Greater Grand Rapids Chapter of Jack and Jill of America Inc. College Tour Scholarship Award Application**

***Reminder: Submit Student Essay with application***

**\*\*Please Print\*\***

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

Name of High School \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Level: Freshman \_\_\_ Sophomore \_\_\_ Junior \_\_\_ Senior \_\_\_

GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Name three colleges/universities you are interested in attending?

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Name three college majors you are interested in?

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By signing this form I commit to attending all meetings/mentoring sessions and adhering to all rules and policies associated with the HBCUTE.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_