PACE 2027 Scholarships

Two African American women, who had a desire to form friendships with other women and to make a difference in the Dallas metroplex through community service, organized Professional Achievers for Community Excellence (PACE) in 1984. In 1995, members of the organization chose to name the scholarship after one of the co-founders, Roxanne Forster. Today, PACE awards several different scholarships. Though PACE has been involved in various charities and projects throughout the year, the scholarship award program is at the center of the organization's purpose. The goals of the scholarship program are:

- **To promote education by assisting African American females who aspire to attend college and who have a financial need.**
- **To provide a one-time, non-renewable award(s) based on current scholarship funding. (Target $1,500.00 per award).**
- **To recognize the achievements of the student at an Awards luncheon and fashion show held in April; and**
- **To encourage African American females to pursue their dreams and aspirations.**

Students selected to receive the awards are **required to attend the scholarship luncheon on Saturday, April 10, 2027, 11:30am. Attendance is mandatory**. An invitation will be mailed to each recipient with further information.

ELIGIBILTY REQUIREMENTS

1. Applicant must be an African American female.
2. Must be a graduating senior for the current **2026-2027** academic school year.
3. Must have a grade point average of 2.5 or more on a 4.0 scale.
4. Applicants must enter an accredited college or university as a full-time, degree-seeking freshman in the fall of 2027.
5. Applicants must have demonstrated leadership abilities through participation in community service, extracurricular or other activities.
6. Applicants must have applied to a college or university. The applicant's letter of acceptance should be included with college information when received.
7. An **official high school transcript** should be submitted along with the attached **five-page** application.

APPLICATION POSTMARK DEADLINE IS JANUARY 29, 2027

Direct questions to scholarships@pacedfw.org

P.O. BOX 112721, CARROLLTON TX 75011-2721
WWW.PACEDFW.ORG

PACE Scholarship Application Checklist
All pages must be completed and signed where indicated.
Completed application with all supporting documentation should be mailed to address below:

Name _____

Date submitted _____

High school currently attending_____

Check list before submitting this application:

A Signed Official School Transcript _____
Must be in a sealed envelope
Financial Information ____
Personal Statement _____
Letters of Recommendation (2) ____
May be different from personal references
Completed 5 Page Application_____
Application includes this page, which must be attached
Signatures ____

Application Postmark Deadline: 11:59pm Friday, January 29, 2027

Please note: If you are selected to receive an award, PACE MUST be notified no later than September 30, 2027, of the office at the college or university where your check should be mailed. Failure to provide this information will result in forfeiture of the scholarship.

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(Please Print or Type information on form)

I. Application Information to be completed by counselor after review of application.

(If counselor is not available to complete and sign, please attach a separate statement and provide information on how to contact the counselor or counseling staff.)

Counselor's Name_____

Student's Grade Point Average_____
Name of High School_____
School Address_____
Phone Number _____Fax_____ e-mail_____

Counselor's Signature _____

II. Application Information to be completed by applicant

Student's Name_____

Home Address_____
City/State/Zip_____
Phone Numbers_____

E-mail Address_____
Last 4 digits of Social Security Number_____
Date of Birth_____

Parent/Guardian's Full Name
Father _____
Father's Address_____
Phone Number _____

Mother _____
Mother's Address_____
Phone Number _____

College(s) to which you have applied

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College(s) who advised that you have been accepted

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Intended Major

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Give Two Personal References:

Name_____
Address_____
Phone Number_____

Name_____
Address_____
Phone Number _____

III. Financial Information

A. (To be completed by parent/guardian who is claiming applicant as a dependent for tax purposes. Information may be verified.)

Father's occupation _____
Employed by_____

Mother's occupation _____
Employed by_____

Household Income Range: Under $40,000_____ $40,000-$59,000_____
Over $60,000_____

B. Number of children of parents living at home (including the applicant) ____

C. Ages of children _____

D. Number of children in college _____

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Other Information – Please provide the following information that occurred during high school years. (If more space is needed for any item, please add an additional sheet. Resumes are encouraged.)

A. School Related Organizations

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B. Elected Offices Held

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C. Non-elected Offices Held

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D. Community Service

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E. Achievements, Awards, and Honors

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V. Personal Statement: On a separate sheet, please tell us about your family background, career aspirations, community involvement, and why you should be considered for the PACE Scholarship Award. (Please limit your statement to one page**)**

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VI. Certification: I certify that all the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.
(MUST BE SIGNED BY PARENT AND APPLICANT)

Applicant's Signature_____

Parent/Guardian Signature_____

(Please double check that all the below items are correct and complete to ensure eligibility.)

A Signed Official School Transcript _____
Must be in a sealed envelope
Financial Information ____
Personal Statement _____
Letters of Recommendation (2) ____
May be different from personal references
Completed 5 Page Application_____
Signatures ____

Mail completed application no later than Friday, January 29, 2027:

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