

Brown v. Board of Education Scholarship Awards Committee
§ 30-231.1 et seq., Code of Virginia



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The Honorable Rosalyn R. Dance, Chairwoman, and the Honorable Watkins M. Abbitt, Jr., Vice Chairman, of the *Brown v. Board of Education* Scholarship Awards Committee today announced the availability of applications for the 2008-2009 academic year. The *Brown* Scholarship Program was established by the Virginia General Assembly in 2004 to assist persons who were enrolled or eligible to enroll in the public schools of Virginia during Massive Resistance between 1954 and 1964, in localities (Charlottesville, Norfolk, Prince Edward County, and Warren County) in which the public schools were closed to avoid desegregation. Eligible persons must be current domiciled residents of the Commonwealth of Virginia. Scholarships may be used to cover the costs *only* of tuition, excluding fees and expenses, and textbooks, as approved by the Committee, at accredited Virginia public schools and institutions of higher education, and nonprofit proprietary schools. Eligible persons may use the scholarship for:

- Transitional education programs to prepare for success in GED and adult education programs
- GED certificate
- Adult high school diploma
- College Level Examination Program (CLEP) credit
- Career-technical skills training at public two-year colleges or nonprofit proprietary schools
- Two-year or four-year undergraduate degree at accredited Virginia public and private institutions, part-time or full-time

Application Deadline: March 1, 2008

Application packets, the Committee Polices, and a FAQ may be obtained through the Internet at:

<http://dls.state.va.us/brown.htm>

or

upon request by contacting:

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Application forms are also available at the following locations:

Charlottesville

Charlottesville City Hall
7th and Market Streets
Charlottesville, VA 22902

Prince Edward County

The Farmville Herald
114 North Street
Farmville, VA 23901

Carl U. Eggleston Company, Inc.

914 South Main Street
Farmville, VA 23901

Norfolk

Norfolk City Hall
810 Union Street
Norfolk, VA 23501

Warren County

Warren County School Board Office
210 North Commerce Avenue
Front Royal, VA 22630

Southside Virginia Community College

200 Daniel Road
Keysville, Virginia 23947

For further information concerning the *Brown* Scholarship Program, please contact Mrs. Brenda H. Edwards at Division of Legislative Services, General Assembly Building, 2nd Floor, 910 Capitol Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, (804) 786-3591.