

Orange Blossom Football Classic Association, Inc. Attn: Scholarship and Awards Committee
6625 Miami Lakes Drive, Suite 428, Miami Lakes, FL 33014



The Orange Blossom Football Classic Association, Inc. is pleased to announce that it will award a limited number of scholarships in the amount of \$1,500 to each qualifying graduating high school seniors in the South Florida area with a minimum 2.5 GPA, who have been accepted to an accredited historically black college or university.

Through strategic partnerships, the organization and presentment of an annual collegiate football game, donations and innovative programs, the Association seeks to award financial assistance to outstanding high school seniors who demonstrate leadership, dedication and commitment to their local community. This scholarship is not determined by financial need.

Purposes of the scholarship is to:

1. Provide financial assistance to qualifying graduating seniors from the South Florida area.
2. Identify and adequately equip students attending Historically Black Colleges and Universities who have displayed significant scholastic and community leadership potential.
3. Foster a new generation of entrepreneurially and globally-minded, HBCU student and alumni leaders.

Orange Blossom Football Classic Association, Inc. will award one-time scholarships to a well deserving high school senior. In order for scholarship funds to be issued, the student must submit to Orange Blossom Football Classic Association, Inc. proof of enrollment and proof of student status from the registrar's office of the admitting HBCU for the upcoming semester.

A head shot photo of the scholarship applicant must be submitted with this application to be used in future Orange Blossom Football Classic Association, Inc. publications.

QUALIFICATIONS

To be eligible, students must meet the following criteria:

- Submit a completed application (available from school counselor or website).
- Must be graduating high school senior in the South Florida area.
- Must be in good academic standing with a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher and submit an official transcript at the time of application.

- Must submit proof that applicant has been accepted to an HBCU (candidate will have to provide a copy of the acceptance letter before receiving any scholarship funds).
- Must sealed letters of recommendation from individuals that are familiar with the academic achievements, work performance and community service of the applicant, i.e. a student organization faculty advisor. Family members of the applicant are not suitable references.
- Must submit a typed essay of 500 words or less on the following topic: **“The significance of a HBCU education and how it will help me globally impact my community.”**
- Must score a cumulative score of 80 or better on the application.
Complete applications must be postmarked no later than July 9, 2021.

Scholarships will be subject to confirmation that the requirements of enrollment have been met by the admitting HBCU.

WHAT CAN THE SCHOLARSHIP BE USED FOR?

- The scholarship may be used to pay for tuition, college room and board, books, living expenses and/or other college expense and fees. The award recipient must be enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student in a historically black college or university in the United States that holds accredited higher education status.
- The scholarship is not payable for attendance at service academies, virtual universities or certain institutions limited in their purpose or training. The recipient must be enrolled in a course of study leading to a baccalaureate degree. Funds will be released to the student applicant only.

To apply, students should submit the application and all requested documentation no later than July 9, 2021 to:

Orange Blossom Football Classic Association, Inc.
Attn: Scholarship and Awards Committee
P.O. BOX 277916
MIRAMAR, FLORIDA 33027

A confirmation email will be provided upon receipt of the application. If you do not receive a confirmation email within 3 days, please make sure to resubmit the application by the deadline. *Award recipients will be notified before August 9, 2021 by the Honors and Awards Committee. Please submit questions to info@orangeblossomclassic.com.*

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Your application will be reviewed for content, completeness, and timeliness.

The application consists of the three parts below. If needed, you can add additional pages to the application in order to have ample space to answer each question.

I. Personal Information.

II. Academics and Activities. Information about your academic record, school-related activities, and community service. (70 points)

III. Essay Question. (30 points)

Parts II and III will be graded up to a maximum score of 100 points. Top scoring applicants will be invited to interview with the Advisory Committee.

List educational and school-related activities in which you have participated (i.e. Band, Sports, etc.). Please include the participation information requested in the table below.
(2 points per award/ scholarship for a maximum of 20 points)

Educational or School Related Activity	Years of Participation	Leadership Role of Honors Received	Name and Telephone Number of Coach or Faculty Advisor who supervised the Activity.

List any activities outside of school in which you have participated. Include community services outside of school sponsored activities, volunteer work, part-time employment or club-related activities. Please include the participation information requested in the table below.
(2 points per award/ scholarship for a maximum of 20 points)

Outside of School Activity	Total Hours	Leadership Role of Honors Received	Name and Telephone Number of one reference from TWO of the Activities below..

Hobbies and recreational activities: 1 point per activity for a maximum of 5 points

PART III. Essay (30 points)

Please respond to the following essay question in 500 words or less.

How do you think attending an HBCU effect will affect your future plans?

Please continue your answer on a separate sheet of paper if enough room is not provided.

To be complete, this application must be accompanied by an original copy of the official transcript from the school the applicant has most recently attended, a copy of SAT/ACT scores and two letters of recommendation.

I permit the review of this application and my school records by Orange Blossom Football Classic Association, Inc.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

I, the undersigned, certify that the information contained in this application is true and correct. If I am selected as a finalist, I give my permission for my name, image and likeness to be used for publicity by Orange Blossom Football Classic Association, Inc.

Applicant's Signature:		Date:	
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PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

FOR APPLICANTS UNDER THE AGE OF 18: I, the undersigned, certify that the information contained in this application is true and correct. If my child/guardian is selected as a finalist, I give my permission for his/her name, image and likeness to be used for publicity by Orange Blossom Football Classic Association, Inc.

Parent/Guardian's Signature:		Date:	
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