



**LILLY GROVE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
SHIRLEY BENN ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP AWARD**

The total amount of this scholarship is up to \$25,000.00 and will be awarded annually to one or two deserving Lilly Grove MBC high school students who have been active members for six (6) years or more and have a GPA of 3.0 or higher. The amount disbursed will be determined by the number of students awarded. (Ex. One student - total amount, \$25,000.00; Two students – \$12,500.00 each and it will be **paid over three** semesters.) All monies will be paid to the college or university and must be redeemed by the institution within 90 days, or all funds will be forfeited for that semester. Applicants must be enrolled as a full-time student. Full-time is defined as **successful completion** of at least twelve (12) hours each semester. An Official Collegiate transcript to verify a GPA of 3.0 or higher is required each semester to maintain eligibility. All monies will be paid directly to the college or university.

Application must be emailed to Wr3scholarship@lillygrove.org.

Deadline to submit application – Sunday, April 30, 2023

Applicants must attend Graduates' Recognition Program – Saturday, June 10, 2023 – Time will be announced.

Applicant Requirements:

- Graduating senior in spring 2023
- Cumulative unweighted GPA of 3.0
- Complete and return the Shirley Benn Academic Award Application
- Enroll in a four-year college or university and successfully complete no less than twelve (12) hours each semester to maintain eligibility

Application Package will include:

- Application (Completed in its entirety. Incomplete applications **WILL NOT** be considered.)
- Original Transcript (May submit a copy but an OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT will be required if chosen.)
- A recent **HEAD SHOT PHOTO** suitable for publication
- A double spaced, typewritten essay of 500-600 minimum words using this prompt:
Describe the environment that has shaped you as a person and how this scholarship will assist you in reaching your career goals
 - Two letters of recommendation
 - One from a church leader at Lilly Grove MBC who is familiar with your church involvement
 - One from a school official of the high school you are attending

Shirley Benn Academic Scholarship Award Application

Name _____

Address _____ Phone Number _____

Applicant's Email Address _____

Mother's Name _____ Telephone number _____

Father's Name _____ Telephone number _____

Guardian _____ Telephone number _____

Number of siblings in the family _____

Parent's Income (Please check the applicable range)

___ Under \$15,000 ___ \$15,001- \$25,999 ___ \$26,000 - \$35,999 ___ \$36,000 - \$49,999

___ \$50,000 +

Name of the high school from which you will graduate _____

Class Rank _____ Cumulative GPA (on a 4.0 scale) _____

Career Goals:

How long have you been a member of Lilly Grove Missionary Baptist Church? _____

Church School Class and teacher: _____

Detail your Lilly Grove Church Involvement:

*School-based Extracurricular Activities

GRADE LEVEL	ORGANIZATION	LEADERSHIP POSITION HELD

*Community Service Activities

GRADE LEVEL	ORGANIZATION	DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE PROJECT

DATES OF MOST RECENT EMPLOYMENT	PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT	NUMBER OF HOURS WORKED PER WEEK

*Attach additional sheets if necessary

How do you plan to finance college costs?

Have you received any scholarship awards from other sources? If yes, indicate all awards and amounts.

Do you have siblings currently enrolled in college?

Yes _____

No _____

If yes, how many & where?

List the college or university where you have been **accepted and will attend**:

Reminder.....

All recipients are REQUIRED to attend the Lilly Grove Missionary Baptist Church Class of 2023 Graduates' Recognition Program, Saturday, June 10, 2023. Time will be announced.

Email your completed application package to: Wr3scholarship@lillygrove.org.