

Association of California School Administrators Region 6 Dr. Frank Wells Memorial Scholarship 2026-2027

The Association of California School Administrators Region 6 is awarding a \$3,000 scholarship to a Black/African American graduating high school senior who exemplifies Dr. Frank Wells' deep commitment to equity and justice and his compassion and care for all people. Dr. Wells passed away suddenly on March 11, 2024. During a career spanning over 30 years in public education, Dr. Wells served as a teacher, principal, director, assistant superintendent, superintendent, an elected school board member, as well as school board president. He was a fierce advocate for all students, particularly students of color. Dr. Wells promoted professional growth by leading with action. He revitalized the ACSA, North Alameda County Charter Chapter, Region 6, by reestablishing and serving as president from 2022-2024. He was also serving as the California Association of African American School Superintendents and Administrators (CAAASSA) President-Elect and had recently been awarded the CAAASSA Marcus Foster Distinguished Educator Award at the time of his passing. ACSA Region 6 is deeply indebted to Dr. Wells for his leadership and advocacy.

QUALIFICATION CRITERIA

The award is based on records of success in academics, scholarship, citizenship as well as activities focused on service to others. Please read all sections of the application carefully.

The applicant must:

1. Be a Black/African American high school graduating senior.
2. Plan to attend a college, university or community college in the Fall of 2027 as a full-time student.
3. Complete all requirements of the attached application. The written application must be done by the applicant. The application must be signed by a parent or guardian.
4. Include a Letter of Recommendation from a teacher, principal or counselor. The letter must be dated after October 1, 2026.
5. All parts of the application must be completed and submitted at the same time to the following Google Folder Link: <https://tinyurl.com/4uky7r77>. All documents must contain the applicant's name in the document title.

The completed application must be uploaded to the Google Folder Link by 5:00 PM on March 12, 2027. Incomplete or late applications will not be accepted for consideration.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Student Applicant's Name: _____

Student Applicant's address: _____

City, State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Student Applicant's Cell Phone #: _____ Email: _____

Birthdate: _____ Expected Graduation Date: _____

High School and District: _____

Higher education institution you hope/plan to attend in the fall: _____

Have you been officially accepted? Yes ____ No ____

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Name of Parent/Guardian: _____

Parent/Guardian's Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

Relationship to Student Applicant: _____

WRITTEN APPLICATION (COMPLETED BY APPLICANT)

Answer each question below. All six questions must be addressed succinctly and completely. If any question does not have a response the application will be considered incomplete and ineligible. Answers to questions must be explicit and written as a narrative. Provide evidence when answering each question (give specific examples). Please **type** your responses and use proper spelling and grammar. Answers should be between 100-150 words. This will provide enough information to rate your response.

1. What are your career plans and goals for the future and how will this award help you achieve those goals? Please be specific and speak to your interests and expectations.

2. What kind of student activities have you participated in? Please provide a variety of activities including volunteer opportunities and leadership roles (clubs, sports, music, drama, leadership, academics, etc.). What awards have you received and/or offices have you held?

3. Describe an achievement of which you are proud. Provide a specific example and what you did to achieve this.

4. Describe a way that you have contributed to the community of the Black/African American students at your school. Please be specific and include examples.

5. Describe a time when you overcame a challenge or hardship in your life. Please provide a specific example and what you did to achieve this.

6. Please tell us anything else about yourself that you would like to have considered in the assessment of this application. (This question is required).

TRANSCRIPT INFORMATION (Completed by school official)

Student must include a high school transcript and have the following section completed by the appropriate school official. **Student transcript must be submitted together with the application or the application will be considered incomplete and ineligible.**

I certify this data is from a current and official transcript.

School Official's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Title: _____

High School Name: _____

CERTIFICATION

All of the information on this form is true and complete to the best of our knowledge. We agree to give proof of the information we have provided on this application if requested. We understand that if we do not give proof when requested, the student will not be awarded a scholarship.

Name of Applicant: _____

Signature of Applicant: _____

Date: _____

Name of Parent/Guardian: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Date: _____

Name of High School Principal/Assistant Principal: _____

Signature of High School Principal/Assistant Principal: _____

Date: _____

High School Principal/Assistant Principal Phone Number: _____

High School Principal/Assistant Principal Email: _____

****In accepting this scholarship, you must provide verification of attendance at a higher education institution for Fall 2027. Please email evidence of full-time enrollment in a college, university, or junior college for Fall 2027 to ACSA Region 6 Executive Director, Rose Lock, at rlock@acsa.org by September 30, 2027.**

WAIVER:

I hereby allow the name, school, district, grade, narrative of success attached to this nomination and images of this student to be used by ACSA for recognition and publicity purposes. This may include sharing with the news media, through ACSA's websites and publications, and through social media channels, including LinkedIn, Facebook, and Instagram.

Student Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Relationship to Student: _____

Date: _____