

Laverne Washington Scholarship Fund

Laverne Washington served as James S. Rickards' first African-American Student Body President from 1972-1973. Continuing his service after high school, Laverne knew he wanted to create opportunities and make a difference for others. This scholarship fund honors his commitment to the community and James S. Rickards High School by helping youth attain their higher education goals.

ELIGIBILITY:

- Be a graduating high school senior
- Have a 2.5 GPA or higher
- Meet the minimum admission requirements for the State University System (SUS) of Florida

SELECTION:

Applicants will be screened by the guidance counselor's office and scholarship committee. Each recipient will be eligible on a one-time basis

AWARD:

Two (2) scholarships for \$1,500 each, will be awarded annually to two college-bound high school seniors who demonstrate the need for financial assistance to continue their educational career.

GUIDELINES:

Consideration will be given only to candidates submitting complete application packets, which and must include:

1. Application form
2. Two letters of recommendation;
3. Financial aid application;
4. 500-word essay stating the need for support;
4. Personal vita or resume.

The student must be enrolled full-time with a minimum of 12 hours. The scholarship will be distributed after the end of the drop/add period for that term to the recipient's institution. Additionally, the recipient has one year to execute the terms and conditions.

***The scholarship recipients will be announced at the graduation ceremony.**

**LAVERNE WASHINGTON SCHOLARSHIP FUND
2022-2023 APPLICATION FORM**

Name: _____

Student I.D. #: _____

Personal Email: _____

Permanent Mailing Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone No.: _____

Place of Birth: _____ Classification: _____

Current GPA: _____ Anticipated Graduation Date: _____

Anticipated Major: _____ Minor: _____

Honors and Awards (Use separate sheet if necessary): _____

Clubs and Organizations (Use separate sheet if necessary): _____

Community Volunteer Hours (Use separate sheet if necessary): _____

500 Words Essay Need For Support (Use separate sheet if necessary):

Do you have a current application on file with Financial Aid?

(Circle) **YES** or **NO**

(applicant signature)

Applicants should submit completed packet to their assigned Counselor or Dr. Deborah Barnes,
Assistant Principal of Curriculum, at barnesd2@leonschools.net
by 5 pm, May 11, 2023 for consideration.