

*Sponsored by Jamaican Association (Bermuda)
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THE HAZEL CHRISTOPHER EDUCATIONAL AWARD

INTRODUCTION

This Annual award is given in honour of the Late Mrs. Hazel Christopher (1931 - 2012), respected life member of Jamaican Association (Bermuda) and committed community activist for over 40 years. The Hazel Christopher Educational Award will recognize a person of Jamaican heritage who demonstrates active leadership qualities within the community; provides evidence of a commitment to furthering their educational goals and produces proof of financial need.

ELIGIBILITY

At the time of application, the applicant must be:

1. An official Resident of Bermuda and either one or all of the following:
 - a) Jamaican National; b) Child of a Jamaican National; (c) Immediate family member of a Jamaican National (e.g. spouse, grandchild etc.).

PRIMARY CRITERIA FOR THE AWARD

The following criteria will be used as a guide for assessing the applicants:

- Academic achievement. (An academic or job report obtained in the year of application)
- Community service hours. (At least 100 documented hours in the year of application)
- Leadership/extracurricular involvement including any Special Awards and Recognition received
- A pledge to "Pay It Forward" by being actively involved in the Jamaican Association during the tenure of the Award.

AWARD RESTRICTIONS

Only one award (non-renewable) per applicant will be granted.

- Applicant must be in Full-time Attendance at an approved institution.
- Awards are limited to Applicants who are pursuing their first degree at the Tertiary level (eg. bachelors or associates degree, or professional training which leads to a professional certification (eg. Auto motive mechanic or nursing assistant)
- Area of Study: Non-specific

FISCAL CONSIDERATIONS:

- Funding will be awarded for Tertiary Level studies only.
- Value of the award will be a **minimum of US \$2000** (Additional amount, if any, will be dependent on the availability of funds).

REQUIREMENTS:

- **Notarized letter of proof of residence and proof of Jamaican Heritage.**
- Letter of acceptance from the educational institution.
- Academic Record and/or statement in support of job performance.
- **Two** letters of reference (one character and one outlining community involvement and detailing hours served).
- Applicant's essay
- Personal Interview.
- Completed Financial Statement form.

APPLICATION DEADLINE IS JULY 31, 2024

Completed applications and supporting documentation may be submitted by either of the following methods:

Email to jamaicanassociationofbermuda@gmail.com

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PLEASE TICK A BOX TO INDICATE YOUR STATUS

- STUDENT EMPLOYED UNEMPLOYED

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- JAMAICAN (BY BIRTH) DEPENDANT OF JAMAICAN IMMEDIATE FAMILY OF JAMAICAN NATIONAL

SECTION A: PERSONAL DETAILS

1. Full name

2. Parent/Guardian(s) Name

3. Home Address

4. Mailing Address
(If different from above)

5. Telephone number Alternate

6. Email Applicant
 Parent/Guardian(s)

SECTION B: FURTHER EDUCATIONAL DETAILS

7. Most recent GPA *(if applicable)*

8. Plans after graduation:

I have applied to college/university

Name of Institution(s):

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I have been accepted to Bermuda College

Area of Study:

I have been accepted to an overseas college/university

Name of Institution:

Area of Study:

Other

SECTION C: ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

9. List in descending order, any Academic Awards, Honors or Accolades you have received over the past four years.

YEAR	AWARD/HONOUR

SECTION D: EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

10. List any programs and you have participated in either on campus or in the community

ORGANIZATION/LOCATION	ACTIVITY	LENGTH OF PARTICIPATION

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SECTION E: COMMUNITY SERVICE

11. List public service or community activities. Do not repeat items previously listed in Section D.

DATES	ACTIVITY	ROLE

SECTION F: PERSONAL STATEMENT

12. Briefly describe your career goal(s) and post-graduation aspirations.

13. **ESSAY QUESTION** | Write a short essay, between 500 and 600 words, on any one of the following three topics. Attach the essay to your application.

- a) Describe a leadership experience you’ve had in which you made a difference at school or in your community.
- b) Describe your most significant public or community service activity and explain how the experience impacted your life.
- c) Describe the three most significant courses that you have taken in preparation for your career and explain why they are significant to you.

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SECTION G: FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Financial Statement

Assuming that you are accepted by the college/university of your choice, please indicate your personal projected expenses while attending school.

EDUCATIONAL	
Tuition/Registration	BD\$ _____
Books	BD\$ _____
Other _____	BD\$ _____
Subtotal - Educational	BD\$ _____

STUDENT LIVING EXPENSES	
Housing and Utilities	BD\$ _____
Food	BD\$ _____
Transportation	BD\$ _____
Insurance (Health)	BD\$ _____
Clothing	BD\$ _____
Medical – Incidental	BD\$ _____
Entertainment	BD\$ _____
Other _____	BD\$ _____
Subtotal – Living Expenses	BD\$ _____
Total Expenses	BD\$ _____

Comments: _____

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

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SECTION H: DOCUMENT CHECK LIST & APPLICANT AFFIRMATION

1. Completed Application Form (SECTIONS A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H)
2. Proof of Nationality (Notarized) and Proof of Residence
3. Reference Letters Required (2)
4. Personal Statement Essay (Section F)
5. Financial Statement Form (Section G)
6. Letter of Acceptance
7. Academic Record

APPLICANT AFFIRMATION

I, _____ [print name] understand that as an applicant for the Hazel Christopher Educational Award, I give permission for the Scholarship Review Committee to seek references on my academic and / or personal achievements from my school or others in the community. I affirm that my ultimate goal is to further my education through a formal and accredited institution. I also, affirm that this application and supplementary information is my own work. I affirm that the information contained herein is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief. If granted the Award, I promise to serve the Jamaican Association in whatever capacity I am able.

SIGNATURE:

PRINT NAME:

DATE:

PARENT/GUARDIAN(S) SIGNATURE: