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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(s) to prove residence and prove Jamaican Heritage.**
- Letter of acceptance and/or proof of enrollment 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 MAY 31**

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

Email to [jamaicanassociationofbermuda@gmail.com](mailto:jamaicanassociationofbermuda@gmail.com)

Mail to Jamaican Association (Bermuda), Educational Award, P.O. Box HM 2890, Hamilton HM NX

Hand delivery to the Mail Box of The Jamaica Honorary Consul, 55 Court Street, Hamilton HM12. Attn: Educational Award

## AWARD APPLICATION FORM

“The Hazel Christopher Educational Award”

### PLEASE TICK A BOX TO INDICATE YOUR STATUS

STUDENT       EMPLOYED       UNEMPLOYED

### TICK A BOX TO INDICATE YOUR STATUS

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

### SECTION A: PERSONAL DETAILS

1. Full name	<input type="text"/>		
2. Parent/Guardian(s) Name	<input type="text"/>		
3. Home Address	<input type="text"/>		
	<input type="text"/>		
4. Mailing Address <i>(If different from above)</i>	<input type="text"/>		
5. Telephone number	<input type="text"/>	Alternate	<input type="text"/>
6. Email	<input type="text" value="Applicant"/>		
	<input type="text" value="Parent/Guardian(s)"/>		

### SECTION B: FURTHER EDUCATIONAL DETAILS

7. Most recent GPA <i>(if applicable)</i>	<input type="text"/>
8. Plans after graduation:	
<input type="checkbox"/> I have applied to college/university	<input type="text"/>
Name of Institution(s):	<input type="text"/>
	<input type="text"/>

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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\$ _____
<b>Total Expenses</b>	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: