

To: Interested Scholarship Applicants

From: Warren/Sussex County Branch NAACP

Date: February 17, 2026

Dear Students,

We are pleased to announce the continuation of the Warren and Sussex County NAACP Scholarship Program for 2026!

Although this year's total award package has not been finalized, last year, thanks to our generous sponsors, we were able to award scholarships totaling up to \$18,000.

Our scholarship program aims to combat all forms of discrimination and promote diversity through education. This opportunity is open to all students residing in Warren and Sussex counties, New Jersey, who are either college-bound high school seniors or continuing college students.

Scholarship awards will be based on a 450-550-word essay in response to the following question:

To what extent do the economic benefits of mass deportation, as cited by proponents regarding national security and crime reduction, outweigh the systemic social costs, specifically the psychological trauma of family separation, the destabilization of mixed-status households, and the "chilling effect" on community engagement with public institutions?

When submitting your essay, please adhere to the following guidelines:

- Submit in MS Word format
- Use Times New Roman, 12-point font, double-spaced, with one-inch margins on all sides
- Include a header with your name, address, home/cell phone numbers, email address, and current school
- Use clear and concise language throughout your essay

Please email your essay to wsnaacp@gmail.com. The deadline for submission is **Friday, March 27, 2026, at 11:59 PM EST**.

Scholarship recipients will be announced on **Friday, April 3, 2026**.