

ALMA EXLEY
Scholarship Program



To the Applicant:

Thank you for applying for the Alma Exley Scholarship. The scholarship program is intended to support and encourage persons of color in Connecticut who are committed to a career in public school teaching.

A scholarship award of at least \$5,000 will be granted to an individual who has been admitted to a teacher-preparation program in a Connecticut college or university.

Please email the application to info@cfgnb.org by October 31 or mail a printed application to **Alma Exley Scholarship Program, Community Foundation of Greater New Britain, 74A Vine Street, New Britain, CT 06052,** postmarked by October 31.

A selection committee will review the applications in early December. Applicants will be notified whether or not they are selected for the scholarship.

Additional information is available from our website, www.almaexleyscholarship.org, and from the Community Foundation of Greater New Britain, 860-229-6018.



**Application for Students in an Undergraduate
or Master's Teacher-Preparation Program**

Name: _____

Address if living at school: _____

Home address: _____

Telephone at home (____) _____ Telephone at school (____) _____

Email address: _____

Are you a person of color? _____

High school, location and graduation date: _____

Current college or university: _____

Year in school: ☐ Junior ☐ Senior ☐ Master's

Academic major: _____ Academic minor: _____

Previous colleges or universities with dates of attendance or graduation: _____

If you are an undergraduate student, do you intend to go on for a master's degree immediately after graduation?

☐ Yes ☐ No If "Yes," ☐ I will attend full-time ☐ I will attend part-time

Following are required application elements. Check the boxes to confirm submission.

- ☐ Attach a document confirming your acceptance into the teacher-preparation program.
☐ Attach a résumé that includes your part-time work as well as volunteer activities.

Two current letters of reference should be submitted by individuals who know you well and can describe the qualities you possess that will make you an outstanding teacher. Please give your references the accompanying document titled "Questions for References." This will serve as a guide as they write their letters of reference. Letters of reference are to be emailed to info@cfgnb.org by October 31.

Essays:

On separate sheets, please write essays in response to the following questions. Each essay should be under 200 words in length.

- ☐ **Essay 1.** Calling on your personal experience as a student, describe how the presence or absence of teachers of color affected your education and your decision to become a teacher.
- ☐ **Essay 2.** Describe a key experience or decision that illustrates your potential to become an excellent teacher, and explain how this experience or decision has influenced your ability to make a difference in the lives of children.
- ☐ If chosen for a scholarship, I agree to allow the scholarship program to disseminate my name and photo for publication.

Signature _____

Date of Application _____