

ALMA EXLEY
Scholarship Program



Questions for References

Thank you for writing a letter of reference for an applicant of the Alma Exley Scholarship Program. Applicants were advised to choose their references wisely as the committee relies heavily on your insight. We receive many highly qualified applicants for this scholarship. Your recommendation will be most helpful to the applicant if you share specific examples.

Letters should be submitted via email to the Community Foundation of Greater New Britain at info@cfgnb.org by October 31. Please use the guiding points below when writing your letter of reference.

1. How long and in what capacity have you known the applicant?
2. Please include two or three examples or instances where you have observed the candidate teaching or acting in a capacity that would translate into being an excellent teacher?
3. What specific qualities and skills does this candidate possess that demonstrate their capacity to become an excellent teacher?
4. Does the applicant demonstrate the capacity for empathy?
5. What is your assessment of the applicant's intellectual rigor?
6. Has the applicant been involved in activities related to racism, social justice or equity?
7. What is special about this applicant compared to other students in your teacher-preparation program?

The Alma Exley Scholarship Program honors and supports outstanding college students of color who are preparing for careers in education. The program is a partnership with the Community Foundation of Greater New Britain, 74A Vine Street, New Britain, CT 06052.

