Wanda A. Pleasant Scholarship Committee Chair Nboaka.com/scholarships

Completed applications need to be returned to the following email address: NBO1908@gmail.com

- Scholarship applications must be submitted no later than Thursday, February 13, 2025, at 11:59pm
- Scholarship applicants must have a minimum cumulative weighted GPA of 2.5.
- Scholarship applicants must include scanned copy of an **official transcript** including 1st semester grades of their senior year.
- Scholarship applicants must complete all areas to be eligible to compete for these scholarships.

These scholarships will be awarded during the Joseph L. Carwise Minority Achievement Awards, Wednesday February 26, 2025 at Clearwater High School Auditorium. Scholarship recipients are expected to attend this event.

➤ The Beverly Robinson Campbell Memorial Scholarship will be awarded to two African-American female seniors who live and attend a North Pinellas County high school, a Pinellas County magnet program, ECP (Early College Program) or St. Petersburg College Collegiate High School. This scholarship will be awarded based on GPA, character references, and an essay.

The Beverly Robinson Campbell Memorial Scholarship will be awarded to participants based on value points. *Funds will be released in September 2025 upon receipt of documentation of enrollment in an accredited college or university.* 1st Place - \$2,000.00 2nd Place - \$1,200.00

One Science, Technology, Engineering, Math (STEM) Scholarships in the amount of \$1,000.00 will be awarded to an African American male or female senior who resides in North Pinellas County and attends a North Pinellas County high school, a Pinellas County magnet program, ECP (Early College Program) or St. Petersburg College Collegiate High School. This scholarship is based upon an interest in the fields of science, technology, engineering or math, as well as, GPA, character references, and an essay.

The STEM Scholarship will be awarded to the participants with the highest number of points. Funds will be released in September 2025, upon receipt of documentation of enrollment in an accredited college, university or technical center/college. The awarded scholarship must be used by the recipients within one year from being awarded.

For questions or comments, please contact Wanda A. Pleasant at 727-480-5245

Criteria and Value Points

Scholastic: GPA (4 Point Scale) (Possible 32 points)

4.0 or above	(32 points)
3.5-3.9	(25 - 29 points)
3.0—3.4	(20 - 24 points)
2.5-2.9	(15 - 19 points)
Below 2.5	(0 point)

Each applicant is responsible for obtaining an **official transcript**, which should include the high school GPA through the first semester of his or her senior year.

Character References (Possible 15 points)

Applicants must obtain three character references. These letters must be from their school, place of worship, and a community leader. All three letters must be on official letterhead and include the person's name, title, telephone number and e-mail address. Beverly Robinson Campbell Memorial Scholarship reference letter must be written by the community leader who is a member of the organization who benefited from a community service project you participated in 2020 thru 2025. A letter from a relative is unacceptable.

Essay Topics (Possible 28 points)

The essay should have a minimum of 350 words and a maximum of 1000 words. (Words used as articles in sentence structure will not count as part of the 350-word minimum.)

Beverly Robinson Campbell Memorial Scholarship:

Please write a speech on the topic below.

In 500 words or less, describe a comprehensive plan for community involvement and social impact. Explain how your educational and career aspirations will foster positive change in your community. Consider the specific projects, initiatives, or organizations you aim to contribute to and explain how your unique skills and experiences position you to make a meaningful impact.

STEM Scholarship:

What do you see as the greatest threat to the environment today? Also, include your career goals as related to Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) and how this scholarship will help you achieve these goals?

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Scholarship Checklist:

I am applying for the			Scholarship.		
Name:	Date:				
Address:					
Telephone Number:	Emai	1:			
High School:					
College/University/Technical Center you plan to	attend:				
Purposed Major:Purpos	Purposed Future Occupation:				
(Do Not Write Belo	w This Li	ne)			
	Yes	No	Number of Points		
Scholastic Official Transcript (32 points)					
Character References (Must be on letterhead) Letter from school (5 points) Letter from place of worship (5 points) Letter from a community service leader (5 points)		s) 			
Essay (28 points) Essay (350 – 1000 words)					
Total Points Received		• • • • • • • • • • • •			
Total Points Possible					

ESSAY RUBRIC SCORING USED BY NBO TOTAL POINTS: 28

	4	3	2	1
Essay Prompt	Prompt is clear in the essay.	Prompt is somewhat clear in the essay	Prompt needs to be elaborated.	Prompt was not included, and essay is irrelevant
Ideas	Informative with clear focus and supporting details.	Informative with clear focus with some supporting details.	Focus needs to be expanded and supporting details are needed.	Topic needs to be developed.
Organization	Very well organized; easy to read.	Has a beginning, middle, and end.	Little organization, needs transitions.	Organization is needed.
Voice	Voice is confident throughout.	Voice is confident moderately.	Voice is somewhat confident.	Little to no voice; needs confidence.
Sentence Fluency	Sentence flow throughout essay.	Sentences mostly flow.	Sentences needs to flow.	Sentences are difficult to read and do not flow.
Word Choice	Nouns and verbs make essay informative.	Decent use of nouns and verbs.	Needs specific nouns and verbs; too general.	Little to no use of specific nouns and verbs.
Conventions	Zero grammatical errors.	Few grammatical errors.	Several grammatical errors.	Many errors which make it hard to read and understand.