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Application deadline is January 29, 2010

RICHMOND, VIRGINIA CHAPTER SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION GUIDELINES

Continental Societies, Incorporated, is a national organization whose purpose is to promote the economic, educational, and social welfare of underprivileged and disadvantaged children and youth; to improve their recreational activities; and to promote additional experiences necessary for their complete development. Local chapters of the Continental Societies, Incorporated are awarding scholarships throughout the United States.

The Richmond, Virginia chapter is pleased to announce its annual college scholarship program. This year one scholarship will be awarded. Each scholarship is renewable for three years provided students meet criteria based on eligibility.

All college bound high school seniors are invited to apply. Applications should be typed and submitted to the Richmond Chapter Scholarship Committee. Complete application packages, including the additional required information, must be post-marked by January 29, 2010.

AWARD CATEGORY

FIRST-TIME COLLEGE STUDENT: Will be a high school graduate by June 2010. The applicant should have applied and been accepted to a four-year college or university.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Each applicant must submit an Essay (*minimum 500 words*). This essay should include the following:

- Long- and short-term goals (*be specific; the committee must be able to clearly identify the goals*)
- Plans for educational support
- Statement indicating why you should receive the scholarship
- Cost to attend the institution (*tuition, room & board, and fees*)
- Personal achievements (*referencing church, school, personnel, community, and/or employment*).

Finalists will have an interview with the Chapter President and members of the Richmond chapter scholarship committee.

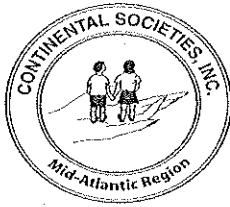
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIREMENT

- **Official** High School Transcript or letter of substantiation on letterhead from the principal or guidance counselor
(May submit student copy but must have official transcript for final consideration.)
- Copy of college acceptance letter
- Class Rank/GPA- 2.5
- ACT/SAT scores
- Three (3) letters of reference (*one from school personnel, one from community, one from church or employer*)
- List of memberships and/or affiliations (*YMCA, NAACP, Boys/Girls Clubs, etc.*)
- Completed Scholarship Application Form that includes applicant's signature and signature of at least one parent

DEADLINE for Submission:
All applications must be post-marked by January 29, 2010.

The application package must be mailed to
Att: Scholarship Committee
Freida G. Bolling, Chair
P.O. 26221
Richmond, VA 23260

For more information about the Richmond Chapter, Continental Societies, Inc., please visit our website at <http://csirichmond.org>.



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Date: _____

NAME _____
Last First Middle

HOME ADDRESS: _____

_____ City State Zip Code

TELEPHONE NUMBER: () _____ DATE OF BIRTH: ____/____/____

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER _____

NAME OF HIGH SCHOOL _____

ADDRESS: _____
City State Zip Code

GRADUATION INFORMATION

GRADUATION DATE: ____/____/____ CUMULATIVE GPA _____ CLASS RANK _____

DIPLOMA: () YES () NO GED: () YES () NO

PLEASE LIST THE INSTITUTION YOU PLAN TO ATTEND:

Name:
Address:
Telephone:
Contact Person:

“Provide Substantiation of Enrollment”

PLEASE LIST ANY COLLEGE(S) YOU ARE CURRENTLY ATTENDING OR HAVE ATTENDED

Institution	Date(s)	Major	GPA	Degree Awarded/Date

Applicant's Signature

Parent/Guardian's Signature

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