



# CABUCA

Cincinnati Association of Black University and College Alumni

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## 2025 CABUCA Carr/Daniels Essay Contest For High-School Seniors Entering an HBCU in 2026-2027 School Year

For over 30 years CABUCA has spotlighted the academics, achievements and legacy of historically Black colleges and universities to students in the Greater Cincinnati area. To assist students wishing to attend an HBCU, CABUCA is announcing the “2025 CABUCA Carr/Daniels Essay Contest”. Each winner of this contest will receive a \$500 book scholarship for use at any accredited HBCU for the 2026-2027 school year.

### Essay Criteria:

- Essay topic: Students must prepare an essay in response to the question:  
*“Why do you want to attend an HBCU?”*
- Essay must be **no fewer than 200 words and no more than 800 words** in length.
- All essays must be submitted typed and double-spaced (12 pt font - Times New Roman typeface)
- Essay must be solely the work of the entrant. Plagiarism will result in disqualification.
- Email completed application cover sheet and essay to: [CABUCA.Essay@gmail.com](mailto:CABUCA.Essay@gmail.com) or  
Mail completed application cover sheet and essay to:  
CABUCA Essay • P.O. Box 37022 • Cincinnati, OH 45222.
- Essay **must be received by December 1, 2025**, no later than 11:59 PM, EST.

### Scholarship Award:

- \$500 book scholarships will be awarded to the winning entrants.

### Applicant Criteria:

- Contest is open to African American seniors graduating in the 2025-2026 school year.
- Entrants must be enrolled in 12<sup>th</sup> grade at time of submission.
- Applicants must be residents of regional Tri-state area (Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana) and enrolled in a local high school
- Student must show proof of enrollment into a historically Black college or university (HBCU)\* to receive the scholarship. \*As defined by US Department of Education
- Only one entry per student

### Judging Criteria:

- Essays will be judged on both style and content. Judges will look for writing that is clear, articulate, grammatically correct and logically organized.
- Essay submissions will be evaluated in a fair and unbiased judging process.
- Decisions of the judges are final.
- CABUCA officers and essay judges and their immediate family members are not eligible for this contest. All entries become the property of CABUCA and will not be returned.
- CABUCA reserves the right to post essay submissions on its website and use in communications.
- The winner and all other participants will be notified via e-mail and/or phone by December 31, 2025.

**NOTE:** The winner is expected to acknowledge, in writing, receipt of the scholarship.

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**CABUCA CARR/DANIELS ESSAY APPLICATION COVER SHEET**  
**For High-School Seniors Entering an HBCU in 2025-2026 School Year**

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

*Please complete the following application cover sheet and submit with your essay via the following email address:*

[CABUCA.Essay@gmail.com](mailto:CABUCA.Essay@gmail.com), or

*mail completed application cover sheet and essay to:*

CABUCA Essay  
P.O. Box 37022  
Cincinnati, OH 45222.

*Essays must be received by December 1, 2025 to be considered for a scholarship.*

**Student Information:**

Full Name:
Parent Name:
Student Mailing address:
Phone number: (daytime) <span style="float: right;">(evening)</span>
Email Address:

**School Information:**

High school:	
Chosen HBCU:	
City:	State:
Intended Major:	