



# Collins Family HBCU Scholarship

*In Loving Memory of Armer Kimble Preston*

## 2026 Application Form

The Collins Family HBCU Scholarship is made available through the Collins Family Foundation. This program was created by The Collins Family in honor of matriarch Armer Kimble Preston, revered mother and grandmother, who passed away in 2017 from breast cancer.

**Armer Kimble Preston** was a strong believer in the value of education. This scholarship program honors her legacy.

Recognizing that they were all blessed with college scholarships, and thereby the opportunity to pursue a higher education, the Collins Family's goal is to provide scholarships to high school seniors in need of additional resources. Students who have demonstrated leadership, character, community involvement, and academic success will be given consideration for these awards.

This year the Collins Family will award six (6) scholarships, in the amount of \$1000 each, to students who will attend any Historically Black College and University (HBCU) commencing in the Fall of 2026.

### **Eligible Applicants**

- 2026 graduating seniors from the following high schools: Galveston Ball, Hitchcock, LaMarque, Texas City, Dickinson, Clear Springs, Clear Falls, and Clear Creek
- Accepted to and will attend an HBCU commencing in the Fall 2026 Semester
- Has a minimum Grade Point Average of 2.7 on a 4.0 Scale
- The Foundation reserves the right to consider Collins family students (immediate or otherwise) graduating from schools outside of those listed

### **Application Process**

- Applications are available at the listed high schools
- Due date for applications is 11:59pm on April 11, 2026 via the online form or emailed to:  
[collinsfamilyfoundationoftexas@gmail.com](mailto:collinsfamilyfoundationoftexas@gmail.com)
- A copy of your high school transcript must accompany your application
- 10 finalists will be contacted by April 18, 2026 and interviews will be conducted thereafter
- The Six (6) scholarship recipients will be announced by May 2, 2026

### **Scholarship Program Guidelines**

- Funds will be paid directly to the college or university where the recipient is enrolled. The allocation is \$500 per semester, for the Fall 2026 and Spring 2027 semesters, respectively.
- Recipients must maintain a 2.7 GPA, enroll in AND successfully complete a minimum of 12 credit hours for each of the aforementioned semester.
- Grade reports must be submitted at the conclusion of the fall semester, prior to receiving the award for the spring semester.
- The first installment will be issued after the recipient submits proof of enrollment from the school's registrar's office.
- The scholarship will be forfeited if the recipient fails to enroll in the Fall of 2026 or does not meet all requirements set therein.



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(Please use black ink and print legibly. Typing is acceptable.)

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

|  |                                 |                               |             |
|--|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Name   | First                           | Middle                        | Last        |
|  |                                 |                               |             |
| Gender:  | Female <input type="checkbox"/> | Male <input type="checkbox"/> |             |
| U.S. Citizen:                                  | Yes <input type="checkbox"/>    | No <input type="checkbox"/>   |             |
| Address  |                                 |                               |             |
|  |                                 |                               |             |
| City, State and Zip Code                       |                                 |                               |             |
|  |                                 |                               |             |
| Home Phone:                                    |                                 |                               | Cell Phone: |
|  |                                 |                               |             |
| E-Mail   |                                 |                               |             |
|  |                                 |                               |             |
| Birth Date                                     |                                 |                               |             |
|  |                                 |                               |             |
| Parent/Guardian<br>(Name and telephone number) |                                 |                               |             |

### ACADEMIC PROFILE:

|  |  |  |
|--|--|--|
| School name                            |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| School address                         |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| City, Zip Code                         |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| Telephone                              |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| Expected Graduation Date               |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| Current Cumulative GPA<br>(unweighted) |  |  |



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### HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES YOU HAVE ALREADY BEEN ACCEPTED TO:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

### EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

*(Please attach a separate page to the application if more space is needed)*

| <u>Activity</u> | <u>Description</u> | <u>Dates of Activity</u> |
|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
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### AWARDS/RECOGNITION:

*(Please attach a separate page to the application, if more space is needed)*

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### COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES:

*(Please attach a separate page to the application, if more space is needed)*

| <u>Organization</u> | <u>Description of Service</u> | <u>Dates of Service</u> |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
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### ESSAY:

Submit an essay (one page minimum - 250 words and/or two-page maximum - 500 words) on the subject, ***What service project initiative would you implement in your community to specifically address an issue that affects people of color and why?*** Your essay must be typed. Format it using double spacing, 12-point Times New Roman font, and 1-inch margins. Your name should be typed in the upper right-hand corner of each page.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_