



# The Ohio Black Caucus of School Board Members Leo Lucas Scholarship Application

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## Application Instructions

### How to Get the Application

You may download all application materials in PDF format from the Ohio School Boards Association Black Caucus website at [www.ohioschoolboards.org/ohio-black-caucus](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org/ohio-black-caucus).

### Calendar

March 6, 2020	Application deadline
April 20, 2020	Award letters issued

### Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for a scholarship:

- Student must be ethnically diverse;
- Student must be eligible to graduate from a public high school in 2020;
- Student must provide proof of acceptance to an accredited post-secondary institution of higher learning with the intention of completing a two-year or four-year degree prior to award conferral; and attend that school;
- Student must have a grade point average of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

### Selection Process

Initial applications will be evaluated on the following elements:

- Academic record
- Community service / Leadership act
- Essay submission
- Letter of Acceptance
- Letter of recommendation

*If the applicant is selected for the award, the following documents are required:*

- **Letter of Acceptance** – The student must provide a letter of acceptance to an accredited postsecondary institution of higher learning that they will be attending prior to award conferral.
- **Official Transcript** – If selected, a letter of recommendation and official transcript, initialed and dated from your guidance counselor will

### Application Preparation

1. Application (5 pages) — We encourage all students to use a computer or typewriter to complete this application. Handwritten applications must be written in blue or black ink. Please check your essays for correct grammar, spelling and punctuation.
2. Letter of Recommendation — Please provide a letter of recommendation from a non-relative. We suggest that comments include the length of acquaintance; your relationship, general and special abilities; and present and potential leadership qualities.
3. **Two copies (2)** of the completed packet (all the above items).

### Application Deadline

**All materials must be received on or before March 6, 2020.**

### Mail to:

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then be required. The transcript should include a cumulative GPA.

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Members  
2020 Leo Lucas Scholarship Application**

**Due: March 6, 2020**

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**Personal Information**

First Name	MI	Last Name
Street Address		
City ( )	State/Province ( )	ZIP/Postal Code
Home Phone	Cell Phone	Email Address
Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) ____/____/____		

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**Educational Information**

Name of High School	School District	
Street Address		
City ( )	State/Province	ZIP/Postal Code
Telephone Number	High School GPA	
Postsecondary School(s) Applied to: _____		
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Major: _____ Minor: _____		

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**Additional Information**

1. **Have you applied for college/university financial aid?**     Yes         No

2. **Letter of Recommendation** - Please have an individual (non-relative) provide a letter of recommendation on your behalf. We suggest that comments include the following: length of acquaintance; your relationship, general and special abilities; and present and potential leadership qualities.

3. **Extracurricular/Community activities** (sports, clubs, part-time job, etc.):

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4. **Special recognition** (offices held, organization memberships, awards, etc.):

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**Guardian's Information**

First Name	MI	Last Name
Street Address		
City ( )	State/Province	ZIP/Postal Code
Home Phone/Work Phone	Cell Phone	Email Address

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**Guardian's Signature**

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**Date**

## **Essay**

**In the space below (500 words or less), please write an essay that addresses how being ethnically diverse has impacted your educational experience. Briefly describe your goals for the future.**

**Applicant's Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

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## **Applicant Checklist**

All of the items listed below **must be completed** for an application packet to be considered. Any incomplete applications will be disqualified.

Please initial that you have enclosed the following:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Completed personal information (including a copy of academic record)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Guardian information sheet
- \_\_\_\_\_ Essay
- \_\_\_\_\_ Letter(s) of recommendation / Letter of acceptance
- \_\_\_\_\_ Two copies of completed application (all the above items) stapled together
- \_\_\_\_\_ All the above information enclosed and mailed in one envelope

### **Applicant Authorization Release**

In the event I am selected as a Leo Lucas Scholarship recipient, I authorize the Ohio Black Caucus of School Board Members to request and review my application, transcripts and school district guidance counselor recommendation letter and to publicize my scholarship award.

**Applicant's**

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Application packets must be received by March 6, 2020.**

**Applications received after this date will not be considered.**

**Please return the completed application packets to the address below:**

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**If you have any questions, please call (614) 540-4000 and ask for Mark E. Bobo or email at [mbobo@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:mbobo@ohioschoolboards.org)**