

Applying for The Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship

*“A life is not important
except in the impact it
has on other lives.”
– Jackie Robinson*

Welcome! We are glad you are considering applying for the Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship. This brochure will provide you important information as you prepare to complete the online application. If you have specific questions regarding the requirements and content of the application, please contact the Jackie Robinson Foundation at (212) 290-8600 or email requests@jackierobinson.org.

Getting Started

In order to successfully complete your application, you will need to have readily available:

- Your guidance counselor’s name and email address;
- A PDF copy of your high school transcript;
- Your SAT/ACT scores;
- A detailed listing of your extra-curricular activities;
- A copy of your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA);
- Name and email address of the person you have asked to submit a letter of recommendation on your behalf (e.g., mentor, teacher, employer, guidance counselor);
- A digital photo in JPEG format.

About the Application

The application has five areas: Personal Information, Transcript, Scholastic and Financial Information; and an essay section with four questions. The essay questions are about Jackie Robinson, leadership, current events and a personal statement. Each essay is limited to 2,500 characters. We suggest you write your essays in a word processing software and then ‘copy and paste’ them into the online form in the box provided.

Application Components

The mandatory components of the Jackie Robinson Foundation application are:

- The completed application
- A letter of recommendation
- Your ACT or SAT scores
- A professional, hi-resolution digital photo (headshots only, in a JPEG format) – you may submit a high school senior graduation photo

There is no fee associated with applying for the Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship, however, you may incur a fee for submitting your ACT or SAT scores electronically.

The online application is powered by infosnap. Personal recommendations must be submitted using schoolrecs.com. A link to that site has been placed at the end of the online application. There are no fees associated with the use of either system. SAT and ACT scores must be provided electronically by the testing services’ sites. Paper copies will not be accepted. Please visit their website to get information on how to have your scores sent directly to JRF. JRF’s codes are: SAT - 4248; ACT - 6570.

For your application to be considered complete, all of the component parts must be submitted by 5pm eastern time, February 1st.

Personal recommendations are to be completed online using schoolrecs.com. The system notifies your recommender of the due date, lets you know when your recommendation has been completed, and is transmitted electronically. You can even include background information when you request a recommendation to assist your recommender in personalizing your recommendation.

Though schoolrecs.com has the capability of submitting offline recommendations, note that we will only be utilizing their online submission capabilities.

We cannot accept mailed, faxed or emailed applications or letters of recommendation.

Foundation's Mission

Jackie Robinson Foundation (JRF) is a national, not-for-profit, organization founded in 1973 as a vehicle to perpetuate the memory of Jackie Robinson through the advancement of higher education among underserved populations. Uniquely, JRF provides generous four-year college scholarships in conjunction with a comprehensive set of tools and opportunities to disadvantaged students of color to ensure their success in college and to develop leadership potential. JRF's strategic combination of financial assistance and support services results consistently in a nearly 100% college graduation rate.

Notifications

You will receive various email notifications as you progress through the application process. You will be notified:

- Upon establishing an account to complete the application;
- Confirming your successful application submission;
- When your recommender has completed and submitted a recommendation;
- By April 30th informing you of your application's status;
- By June 15th informing you whether you have received the Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship Award.

Navigating the Application

- Click "Next" on this page to start your application;
- Note: Required fields are marked with a red asterisk and the Jackie Robinson Foundation will receive the data exactly as it is entered, so please proofread before submitting;
- On the "Review" page, check your data before submitting;
- Click "Submit!" Once the form is submitted, you can no longer edit;
- On the final page ("Review & Submit"), be sure to click the "Submit" button;
- You will receive an email confirmation from InfoSnap when your application is successfully submitted. The Jackie Robinson Foundation will not receive your application information until the form has been submitted.

Final Submission of Application

On the final page ("Review & Submit"), be sure to click the "Submit" button. The Jackie Robinson Foundation will not receive your application information until the form has been submitted. Once the form is electronically submitted, you will receive an email confirmation from infosnap. Note: The Jackie Robinson Foundation will receive the information exactly as it is provided. Please be aware of all spelling and capitalization.

Use of an Online Portal

We strongly recommend that you do NOT wait until February 15th to work on/submit your application. On that day, you risk encountering delays due to the high volume of users. The high volume often slows down the site's accessibility and/or will time you out of your application, deleting your responses or failing to submit the application altogether. We will not extend the deadline due to portal issues.

Application Timeline

November 1, 2017 - Application goes live

February 1, 2018, 5pm (ET) - Completed application, letter of recommendation and SAT/ACT scores are due

April 30, 2018 - Notification of application status

June 15, 2018 - Final selections announced

Questions

For questions regarding the requirements and content of this scholarship application contact:

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For computer related technical assistance or difficulties using the online application go to: <https://infosnap.zendesk.com>

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