Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
OBSERVANCE DAY ASSOCIATION, INC.
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November 15, 2026

RE: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Observance Day Association 2027 Memorial Scholarship

Dear High School Counselors:

On behalf of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Observance Day Association, Inc., we are pleased to announce the 2027 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Scholarship Awards Program.

We are enclosing a scholarship application. Please provide a copy to ALL eligible seniors at your school.

The minimum requirements for eligibility are: GPA of 80, SAT 800 or ACT 18.

Please make sure that ALL eligible seniors are notified of this opportunity and emphasize the required guidelines. Any questions may be referred to Dr. Davida Harris chairperson of the MLK Education Committee, at (912) 234-5502.

The deadline for submission of the application and required supporting documentation (unofficial transcript, copy of SAT/ACT scores, letter of recommendation from a teacher or counselor, and essay) is Friday, January 29, 2027.

Applications are also available at the office of the president of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Observance Day Association, Inc., at 1206 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. (corner of West Duffy Street).

Thank you for your cooperation with this project.

Sincerely,

Dr. Davida Harris-Jones, Co-Chairperson
2027 Memorial Scholarship Awards Program
Judge LeRoy Burke, President

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. OBSERVANCE DAY ASSOCIATION

2027 MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **ZIP:** _____

Telephone (Home): _____ **Mobile:** _____

School: _____ **School Telephone:** _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Phone Number: _____

Parent/Guardian Email: _____

Grade Point Average (GPA of 80 or greater required): As of: _____

College Entrance Exam Scores — SAT (800): CR: _____ **M:** _____ **or ACT (18):** _____

Complete the activities section on the following page.

ESSAY REQUIREMENTS

In a 500-word essay (typewritten and double-spaced), applicants must explain one of the following themes and discuss how it relates to the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. AI will be detected, and any entry over 7% will not be considered.

1. **From the squares to the streets: Savannah Marches for the Dream.**
2. **Equality today and freedom leads the way.**
3. **Living the new dream but never forgetting the walk.**

Applicant Printed Name: _____ **Signature**: _____

I verify that all information submitted is accurate.

Parent/Guardian permission is necessary for the counselor to release GPA, college exam scores, and other pertinent information to the MLK Memorial Scholarship Awards Committee upon request.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Signature: _____

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Extracurricular Activities — High School (include grade year and amount of time involved)

Community / Volunteer Activities (include grade year and amount of time involved)

Church / Religious Activities (include name of church/religious activities and grade year involved)

APPLICATION SUBMISSION

Completed applications and essays should be mailed or delivered to:

Mrs. Davida Harris-Jones, Chair
Office of the President, MLK Observance Day Association, Inc.
MLK Memorial Scholarship Program
1206 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Savannah, Georgia 31415

Or emailed in PDF format to: education@mlkingsavannah.com

DO NOT SUBMIT A RESUME — THIS FORM IS THE ACCEPTABLE ENTRY.

Any incomplete application will not be considered.