

Alabama Association of Educational Opportunity Program Personnel
2022 Scholarship Competition

Dear TRIO Project Directors in Alabama:

The Alabama Association of Educational Opportunity Program Personnel (AAEOPP) 2021 annual scholarship competition is now open. Participants are invited to compete **for one College Scholarship of \$1,000.00, one PreCollege Scholarship of \$1,000.00, and one AAEOPP Survivor Scholarship (one College and one PreCollege) of \$1,000.00 each.** These awards may be used to help defray postsecondary educational costs during the 2022—2023 academic year. (If you have two or more grant programs, please make a notation of each budget/grant number). **Only one application (per category) may be submitted per TRIO grant program.**

The application deadline is **March 16, 2022 by 5:00 pm.** The application and essay are fillable PDF forms. In addition, the student should submit a resume that will include numbers 2, 3 and, 5 below. Applications can be scanned and submitted electronically in a PDF format. The complete application (preferably scanned with application form, transcript, and 2 letters of recommendation) must be received by 5 pm. Mailed applications must be postmarked by **March 16, 2022.**

Applicants will be judged and rated in the following areas:

1. Essay (content, grammar, organization) (30 points)
2. Academic performance/scholarship (10 points)
3. Honors and awards received (20 points)
4. Two recommendation letters—**one from a TRIO staff sponsor who is an AAEOPP member** (knowledgeable about the financial need of applicant) (10 points)
5. Leadership/school activities and/or detailed description of community volunteer service (10 points)
6. TRIO Activities (20 points)

Each application will be reviewed and rated by the AAEOPP Scholarship Committee. No applicant's materials will be reviewed by a person from the same program or institution.

Please distribute the correct application(s) to your students as soon as possible. Our goal is to have more applicants this year, and your encouragement will help us to award deserving students. Completed application packets are to be returned to me using the address below or via email before **March 16, 2022.** Late applications will be disqualified.

Sincerely,

Kina Burkett

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Winners will be asked to submit a copy of their essays in a Word format so that they can be published in the AAEOPP Newsletter.

In order for winners to receive their financial awards, sponsors must provide official verification of Fall 2022 semester enrollment and proof of two weeks attendance in a postsecondary institution. Award checks, made payable to the student, will be initiated upon receipt of the requested documentation and forwarded to the designated mailing address.