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The Rochester Jamaican Organization, Inc. was founded in 2006 as an association that will provide to Jamaicans and friends of Jamaica a network that will enable access to resources that will positively impact social conditions of Jamaicans in Jamaica and in Rochester.

Scholarship Application

Rochester Jamaican Organization Inc. (RJO) Linford Hamilton (L.H) Memorial Scholarship

The Linford Hamilton scholarship was established by the Hamilton Family in memory of the late Mr. Linford Hamilton, Master electrician, entrepreneur, community leader, education advocate, and a founding member of the Rochester Jamaican Organization, Inc. **A total of three scholarships will be awarded.**

Application Due Date: April 1

Rochester Jamaican Organization, Inc. Scholarship Eligibility and Application Guidelines

The Rochester Jamaican Organization, Inc. is committed to advancing educational equity and supporting students whose heritage, values, and community engagement reflect the mission of the organization. In alignment with principles of equality, we welcome applications from students who meet the following criteria:

Criteria

To be eligible for Rochester Jamaican Organization, Inc. scholarships, the applicant must:

- be a high school graduating student who has been accepted to or enrolled in a regionally accredited higher education institution as a full-time matriculated student
- be of Jamaican or Caribbean descent and member of an underrepresented minoritized group.

Application Process

Submit completed application form along with:

- Two letters of recommendation (one from a teacher and one from an employer or community leader) **References will need to submit their letters of recommendation online.**
- Proof of full-time college acceptance or pending full-time college acceptance
- One-page, double spaced, 12 pt. font essay that:
 - identifies your involvement in community service and includes a statement on how you have overcome a personal challenge, and how this scholarship will help you to achieve your career goals while honoring the legacy of Mr. Linford Hamilton and the mission of the Rochester Jamaican Organization, Inc. More information about the Rochester Jamaican Organization, Inc. can be found at www.rochesterjamaican.org.

Complete application online at <https://www.rochesterjamaican.org/our-work>

Or Mail Application to:

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Or Email to:

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Review Process

- Applications will be reviewed by a committee appointed by the president of RJO
- Winners will be presented at the RJO Annual Independence Ball on Friday, July 25, 2025, 6:00 PM, Hyatt Regency Downtown Rochester.
- A check of **up to \$1, 600** will be mailed directly to the recipient or institution upon proof of full-time enrollment in college for fall 2025

NOTE: *Only completed applications will be reviewed*

Rochester Jamaican Organization, Inc. (RJO) Linford Hamilton Scholarship Application Form

Biographical Data

Name _____

Address _____
Street

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Name of High School _____

Graduation Date _____

College you are attending or will be attending _____

College Start Date _____

Honors and Awards Received in College or High School _____

Extracurricular or Community Service Activities Participated in while in High School or College (Include your leadership role)

Year	Extracurricular/Community Service Activity	Leadership Role
H.S. Freshman		
H.S. Sophomore		
H.S. Junior		
H.S. Senior		
College, if Applicable		

Employment history (if applicable)

From	To	Employer/Agency	Supervisor's Name	Phone