

The Rev. Roosevelt Sanders Empowerment Scholarship

A. Purpose of Scholarship

- a. Continuing the tradition of Dr. Mozel Sanders contributes to the community in his honor.
- b. To expand the tradition of student empowerment deeply important to the founder of the Mozel Sanders Foundation, Rev. Roosevelt Sanders.
- c. To assist students in their pursuit of academic success
- d. To awaken self-esteem in otherwise at-risk urban youth
- e. To empower students with the belief that their community has an interest in their success
- f. To offer the corporate community an opportunity to contribute to the number one cure for poverty and urban decay of our youth, education.

B. Student Eligibility

- a. Middle and High School students attending schools that serve Indianapolis, Marion County, and the surrounding counties of Central Indiana**

C. Qualifications for candidacy

- a. Must be recommended by a community, religious or educational leader
- b. Students must write an essay of 200 words or less about the late Rev. Mozel Sanders and the importance of community service. **(See Enrollment application)**

D. Process of Application

- a. Student Recommendation written by teacher, counselor, or community leader.
 - i. Written recommendations can be in the form of an email. A simple one to two paragraph explanations of:
 1. How the student will benefit from an empowerment award
 2. Why the award could inspire them to achieve more.
- b. Application to be completed by student with the aid of a parent or guardian
- c. Student and parent and/or guardian must be present to receive the award
- d. Student encouraged to bring another student with them for award presentation

**Final approval from MSF officers and Board of Directors

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Award Levels

1. High School Student	\$500.00
2. High School Student	\$500.00
3. High School Student	\$500.00
4. High School Student	\$500.00
5. High School Student	\$500.00
6. High School Student	\$500.00
7. Middle School Student	\$300.00
8. Middle School Student	\$300.00
9. Middle School Student	\$300.00
10. Middle School Student	\$300.00
11. Middle School Student	\$300.00

Total Award Contributions

6-High, 5-Middle

Total Award

\$4500.00

For questions or comments please contact any of the following:

Dawn Sanford
Scholarship Coordinator
317-670-6427
Dawn3552@att.net

Stephanie Sanders
Chief Operating Officer
Mozel Sanders Foundation
317-506-8224
Stephanie@MozelSanders.org or
Stephanie46222@yahoo.com

A 501 (C) 3 organization, the mission of the Mozel Sanders Foundation is to provide for the underserved and un-served throughout the Indianapolis area by feeding the hungry, empowering youth and adults, and building a facility that will provide for the community's welfare.

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Reverend Mzel Sanders Empowerment Scholarship Nomination Application

Scholar Being Nominated:

Full Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone number: _____

School: _____

School's address: _____

Principal's name: _____

Recommending Individual:

Full Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone number: _____

The Rev. Roosevelt Sanders Empowerment Scholarship Application

Please Return by the deadline of **November 20, 2025**

Scholarship Applying (for)		
<input type="checkbox"/> High School Student <input type="checkbox"/> Middle School Student		
Student Name	Phone Number	Email
Address (zip, city, state)		
School Name	Phone Number	
School's Address (zip, city, state)		
Teacher/Counselor's Name	Phone Number	Email
Student's Current Grade	Expected date of Graduation	
Instructions		

1. For Teacher or Counselor:

- a. Submit a narrative of 200 words or less on why the student should receive a Rev. Roosevelt Sanders Empowerment Scholarship.
 - i. Include student's community activities if any
 - ii. Include student's progress from prior to current year

2. For Student:

- a. Submit an Essay of 200 words or less on the late Rev. Roosevelt Sanders and the importance of community service.
- b. Please review to ensure all information is being submitted (*use checklist*).

3. Email/scan this Application with the required Teacher/Counselor recommendation and Student's Essay to Dawn3552@att.net

For additional questions, please contact:

Dawn Sanford, Scholarship Coordinator at 317-670-6427 or email: Dawn3552@att.net

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**Rev. Roosevelt Sanders Empowerment Scholarship
Grade Verification**

(Please submit current school schedule along with this form IF transcript is not available)

Form does **NOT** have to be completed if current transcript is available, transcript can be submitted as a substitute.

Subject	Current Grade	Teacher's Signature	Email Address	Date

709 N. Belmont Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46222
(P) 317.636.7985



AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE/EXCHANGE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Student's Name: _____

I, _____ authorize the Mozel Sanders Foundation to:

_____ release to:

_____ obtain from:

_____ exchange with: *(list school, teachers, counselors on the lines below)*

the following information pertaining to myself:

_____ Current transcript

_____ Past transcript

_____ Discussion of transcripts/grades

_____ Verification of recommendation letter

_____ Verification of transcripts/grades

_____ Verification of being a single parent, if applicable

for the purpose of:

_____ Considered candidate for the Rev. Roosevelt Sanders Empowerment Scholarship

This consent will automatically expire one (1) year after the date of my signature as it appears below.

I understand I have the right to refuse to sign this form, and that I may revoke my consent at any time (except to the extent that the information has already been released).

Signature of Applicant

(If under 18 years of age, parent/guardian's signature)

Date

Printed Signature of Applicant

(If under 18 years of age, parent/guardian's signature)

Date

Note: Information will be verified if applicant is selected for the Rev. Roosevelt Sanders Empowerment Scholarship.

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Rev. Roosevelt Sanders Scholarship Checklist

Please ensure all items are checked when submitting an application.

Applicants not submitting all items will be disqualified

ALL INFORMATION IS DUE BY: November 20, 2025

1. ☐ Application
2. ☐ Teacher/Counselor Recommendation Letter
3. ☐ Student's Essay
4. ☐ Transcript of grades **OR** Grade Verification Form with printout of school schedule
5. ☐ Release/Exchange Confidential Information Form