

David Covin Scholarship Fund Application 2026

Application due date: Friday, April 10, 2026, at 5 p.m.

1. DEADLINE for scholarship applications is Friday, April 10, 2026, by 5:00 p.m.
2. Refer to the application process below for a list of the supporting documents needed (i.e., reference forms, evidence of GPA, etc.)
3. Awards will be held in May 2026
4. If you have any questions about the application, please call Black Parallel School Board (916) 484-3729 or email info@blackparallelschoolboard.com.

PURPOSE

The David Covin Scholarship Fund was established in 2023. The mission of the scholarship program is to provide financial assistance to Black students who are graduates of a Sacramento area high school by the end of the spring term of 2026.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

The Black Parallel School Board awards scholarships based on academic accomplishments, community service, references, personal essays, and financial need. BPSB will provide \$500.00 scholarships.

CRITERIA

- Applicant is a permanent resident of Sacramento, California.
- Applicants must be completing or have completed high school.
- Applicants must be accepted as a full-time student at a college, university, or trade school for the upcoming academic semester.

TIMELINE

- Applications are due on **April 10, 2026, at 5 p.m.**
- Applicants are notified in May 2026.

Application Process

NEW SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS MUST PROVIDE:

- Completed application form.
- Complete essay question [**typed 500-word essay**]
- 5 by 7 photo of the applicant
- Official high school transcript in a sealed envelope.
- Two references
- Proof of acceptance at an academic, vocational, or technical school

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

- Award notification sent in May 2026

The application deadline is Friday, April 10, 2026, at 5 p.m. Applications postmarked after this date will not be considered.

Please mail the application to:

**Black Parallel School Board
4625 44th Street, Ste 5
Sacramento, CA 95820**

David Covin Scholarship Fund Application 2026 Form

Please fill out the form below.

Please type your answers on a separate sheet or print them below.	
1	Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
2	Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
3	Daytime Telephone Number: () _____ Email address: _____
4	Current High School: _____
5	I will be attending the following college in the <u>Fall of 2026</u> :
6	Will you be a full-time student? (Please circle) Yes No
7	Grade Point Average (GPA): _____ Attach proof of GPA and your most recent official school transcript in a sealed envelope.
8	Name and address of parent(s) or legal guardian(s): Use the reverse side of the application if you need more space. Name (s) _____ Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Home phone of parents or legal guardians: _____

9	SCHOOL EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: Please list the extracurricular activities in which you have participated.
10	AREA OF STUDY: What do you want to study and why?
11	ORGANIZATIONS: Please list community organizations such as service, volunteer, and religious organizations in which you are now active or have previously been active. Note leadership roles and dates.
12	RECOGNITIONS: Please list essential awards and recognitions received. Note organizations presenting honor and date.
13	GOALS: What are the short and long-term goals for your life?
14	NEED: Please explain your need for a scholarship.

15	The following items must be attached to this application for it to be reviewed by the scholarship committee. Your application will be returned to you if these items are not attached. Circle "YES" or "NO" to be sure you have attached each item as required.	
YES	NO	Two reference letters. Attached are references (Guidance Counselor, Teacher, Administrator, Employer, or Community Member)
YES	NO	Proof of college acceptance or current student enrollment. A copy of a letter of college acceptance or program acceptance.
YES	NO	Most recent <u>official</u> high school transcript. Photocopies of your transcript are <u>not acceptable.</u>
YES	NO	Answers to questions 1-14
YES	NO	Complete the essay question on a separate page- [typed 500-word essay] Why do you feel African-American Students have an academic achievement gap in Sacramento, CA, and what would you do to correct the achievement gap? *** Please cite <u>your research sources</u>

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY

I hereby affirm that all the above-stated information provided by me to the David Covin Scholarship Committee is accurate, correct, and without forgery. I also consent to my picture being taken and used for any purpose deemed necessary to promote the Black Parallel School Board Scholarship Program.

Signature of scholarship applicant: _____ Date: _____

Witness _____ Date: _____

**The Black Parallel School Board must receive this application by
Friday, April 10, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.**