

# Cornerstone Baptist Church

## **HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR RECOGNITION AND SCHOLARSHIPS INFORMATION**

### **Class of 2024**

Includes:

- Sunday Cap/Gown Recognition
- Senior Celebration
- Scholarship Application Information

March 3, 2024

Dear Graduating Senior – Class of 2024:

Congratulations! There is no doubt this is one of the most exciting times in your life. We are looking forward to celebrating with you through the events sponsored by Cornerstone Baptist Church. It is an honor sharing this moment with you and your family.

In this packet, you will find information necessary to participate in the annual Cornerstone Senior Recognition events. We want to recognize this great milestone by publicly acknowledging your achievement on **Sunday, May 19, 2024** at our Graduation Celebration. Please take note of every deadline and requirement, as we want to make sure that you are properly recognized and included in the celebration before your church family.

**Form Completion and Document Submission:**

The forms are editable and responses can be typed directly on the form. To ensure legibility, please do not print the forms and submit handwritten responses. Also, all supporting documents must be submitted electronically using Word or PDF...no photographs of documents. Finally, submission of the packet, including supporting documentation, should be emailed to [stoneyouth@cbarlington.org](mailto:stoneyouth@cbarlington.org) no later than **April 14, 2024 @11:59 pm**. To help prevent documents from being overlooked, please submit your packet in one (1) email.

We want to make this a great and memorable experience for you and hope that you are looking forward to the celebration as well. Should you have any questions, please feel to contact Youth Pastor, Xavier O'Rourke at 817-468-0083 or [xorourke@cbarlington.org](mailto:xorourke@cbarlington.org).

With Great Expectations,

*Xavier O'Rourke*

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Youth Pastor, Cornerstone Baptist Church

Enclosures

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Dr. Wm. Dwight McKissic, Senior

## High School Recognition - Bibliography and Profile

	Student's Demographics
<b>Student's Name:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>Cell Phone:</b>	
<b>Email Address:</b>	
<b>Date of Birth:</b>	
<b>Church Member Since:</b>	
	Parent's Information
<b>Parent/Guardian's Name:</b>	
<b>Cell Phone (parent):</b>	
<b>Email Address (parent):</b>	
	High School Information
<b>High School Attended:</b>	
<b>Graduation Date:</b>	
<b>Graduation Location:</b>	
<b>High School activities:</b>	
<b>High School honors:</b>	
	College Information
<b>Plans to Attend:</b>	
<b>College Location:</b>	
<b>Field of Study:</b>	

## Church Ministry Involvement

<b>Youth Ministries:</b>	<b>Place an "X" next to the ministries and years of participation.</b>					
	<b>7<sup>th</sup> Grade 2018-19</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup> Grade 2019-20</b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup> Grade 2020-21</b>	<b>10<sup>th</sup> Grade 2021-22</b>	<b>11<sup>th</sup> Grade 2022-23</b>	<b>12<sup>th</sup> grade 2023-24</b>
<b>Camp Stone</b>						
<b>Youth Choir</b>						
<b>Daughters of Deborah</b>						
<b>Sons of Daniel</b>						
<b>Media Ministry Volunteer</b>						
<b>Security Ministry Volunteer</b>						
<b>Speakers Ministry</b>						
<b>Youth Ushers</b>						
<b>Praise Dance</b>						
<b>Camp Stone</b>						
<b>Y.E.S. Ministry</b>						
<b>Other:</b> _____						

## High School Senior Recognition - Participation

**To facilitate preparation for high school senior recognition events, please let us know which events you will be participating in.**

<b>Event:</b>	<b>Participation:</b>
<b><u>Church Senior Cap and Gown Ceremony: May 19, 2024</u></b> Church services begin at 10:00 am. Students will arrive early.	No ____ Yes ____
<b><u>Senior Celebration: May 19, 2024</u></b> Following church services. More information will be provided at a later date.	No ____ Yes ____
<b><u>Senior Video: April 30, 2024 (Photos due)</u></b> Submit photos to <a href="mailto:stoneyouth@cbarlington.org">stoneyouth@cbarlington.org</a> by <b>April 30<sup>th</sup>, 11:59 pm</b> . You may submit your senior photo and three (3) additional photos from elementary, junior high, and high school. If you have issues emailing photos, please call the church office <b>prior</b> to submission deadline.	No ____ Yes ____

# Scholarship Application Information – Class of 2024

High School Senior Scholarship Applicants:

Attached, you will find application information for the scholarships listed below. Please carefully take note of all essay prompt information and supporting documentation requirements (attached).

- Rosa Daniels McKissic Scholarship
- Dwight McKissic Scholarship
- Vera McKissic Scholarship
- CBC Youth Ministry Scholarship
- General Youth Scholarship

## **Essay Formatting and Supporting Documents:**

- All essays must be typed and double spaced using a font that is easily legible.
- All documentation must be submitted at the same time in one email submission.
- All supporting documents must be submitted electronically using Word or PDF...no photographs of documents using a cell phone.
- When composing your essay...if you quote an external source or use an idea/thought from an external source, please give credit to that source by using citations in the writing style of your choice.

We encourage you to start collecting documents and writing your essays early to allow ample time for completion. ***Only complete scholarship applications submitted by the deadline will be considered.***

**ALL essays and supporting documents must be submitted via email no later than April 14, 2024, 11:59 pm to [stoneyouth@cbarlington.org](mailto:stoneyouth@cbarlington.org).**

## Rosa Daniels McKissic Scholarship

### Essay Prompt (1000 word minimum):

The ongoing conflict between Israel and Hamas has lasted for many years. On October 7, 2023, Hamas launched a deadly assault against Israel killing approximately 1200 people. In retaliation, thousands of Palestinians in Gaza have also been killed in air and artillery strikes by Israel. In the U.S., the rise in antisemitic and antimuslim incidents are at all-time highs since this incident. Share your perspective/opinion of the Israel – Hamas war. Is it justified and why or why not? How can followers of Christ help decrease antisemitism in their communities?

**Awarded:** Annually

**Recipient:** Graduating high school senior

**Amount:** \$5000 (\$2500, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> semesters)

### Core Requirements:

- Acceptance of Jesus Christ as personal Lord and Savior
- Member of Cornerstone Baptist Church
- Sunday School attendance at least 70%
- Submission of High School transcript
- Letter of acceptance from an institution of higher learning
- Submission of the necessary letters of recommendation
- Completed essay as outlined under "Essay Formatting..."

### Scholarship Specific Requirements:

- 3.5 GPA
- Two (2) letters of recommendation: 1 academic and 1 ministry
- 1000-word minimum essay on assigned topic

### Note:

***The deadline for all scholarship applications is Sunday, April 14, 2024 by 11:59 pm. All supporting documentation must also be submitted before the deadline in order for the scholarship application to be considered.***

## Dwight McKissic Scholarship

### Essay Prompt (500 word minimum):

Explain how your Christian beliefs inspire you to advocate for social justice. Discuss specific initiatives or actions you have taken to address issues of inequality or injustice.

**Awarded:** Annually

**Recipient:** Graduating high school senior (Males only)

**Amount:** \$2500 (\$1250, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> semesters)

### Core Requirements:

- Acceptance of Jesus Christ as personal Lord and Savior
- Member of Cornerstone Baptist Church
- Sunday School attendance at least 70%
- Submission of High School transcript
- Letter of acceptance from an institution of higher learning
- Submission of the necessary letters of recommendation
- Completed essay as outlined under "Essay Formatting..."

### Scholarship Specific Requirements:

- 3.0 GPA
- Two (2) letters of recommendation: 1 academic and 1 ministry
- 500-word minimum essay on assigned topic
- Male applicants only

### Note:

***The deadline for all scholarship applications is Sunday, April 14, 2024 by 11:59 pm. All supporting documentation must also be submitted before the deadline in order for the scholarship application to be considered.***

## Vera McKissic Scholarship

### Essay Prompt (500 word minimum):

Not including Cornerstone Church ministries, share a specific community involvement or volunteer experience that was motivated by your Christian faith. Discuss the outcomes and lessons you learned from this experience.

**Awarded:** Annually

**Recipient:** Graduating high school senior (Females only)

**Amount:** \$2500 (\$1250, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> semesters)

### Core Requirements:

- Acceptance of Jesus Christ as personal Lord and Savior
- Member of Cornerstone Baptist Church
- Sunday School attendance at least 70%
- Submission of High School transcript
- Letter of acceptance from an institution of higher learning
- Submission of the necessary letters of recommendation
- Completed essay as outlined under "Essay Formatting..."

### Scholarship Specific Requirements:

- 3.0 GPA
- Two (2) letters of recommendation: 1 academic and 1 ministry
- 500-word minimum essay on assigned topic
- Female applicants only

### Note:

***The deadline for all scholarship applications is Sunday, April 14 2024 by 11:59 pm. All supporting documentation must also be submitted before the deadline in order for the scholarship application to be considered.***

## CBC Youth Ministry Scholarship

### **Essay Prompt (250 word minimum):**

Share how the Covid-19 pandemic impacted your life. How did your Christian faith helped you navigate through it and emerge stronger on the other side.

**Awarded:** Annually

**Recipient:** Graduating high school senior

**Amount:** \$500 (\$250, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> semesters)

### **Core Requirements:**

- Acceptance of Jesus Christ as personal Lord and Savior
- Member of Cornerstone Baptist Church
- Sunday School attendance at least 70%
- Submission of High School transcript
- Letter of acceptance from an institution of higher learning
- Submission of the necessary letters of recommendation
- Completed essay as outlined under "Essay Formatting..."

### **Scholarship Specific Requirements:**

- 2.5 GPA
- One (1) letter of recommendation from a ministry leader
- 250-word minimum essay on assigned topic

### **Note:**

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## General Youth Scholarship

### **Essay Prompt (250 word minimum):**

Share a significant moment or experience in your personal faith journey that has shaped your character and influenced your goals for the future.

**Awarded:** Annually

**Recipient:** Graduating high school senior

**Amount:** \$250

### **Core Requirements:**

- Acceptance of Jesus Christ as personal Lord and Savior
- Member of Cornerstone Baptist Church
- Sunday School attendance at least 70%
- Submission of High School transcript
- Letter of acceptance from an institution of higher learning
- Submission of the necessary letters of recommendation
- Completed essay as outlined under "Essay Formatting..."

### **Scholarship Specific Requirements:**

- 2.0 GPA
- One (1) letter of recommendation: Academic or Ministry
- 250-word minimum essay on assigned topic
- Number of scholarships awarded may vary

### **Note:**

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All supporting documentation must also be submitted before the deadline in order for the scholarship application to be considered.***