



**AUGUSTA AREA ALUMNI CHAPTER
FORT VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
P.O. BOX 6374
AUGUSTA, GA 30916-6374**

February 1, 2024

Augusta Area Schools and Churches

Greetings,

In keeping with our mission to support the scholastic endeavors of Augusta area young people who desire to attend **The Fort Valley State University (FVSU)**, the scholarship committee of the Augusta Area Chapter of FVSU will award scholarships to several Augusta area high school seniors who are accepted and will enroll at the university for the fall semester of **2024-2025**.

Scholarship applications will be accepted **February 1, 2024 through March 29, 2024**; with the awards being formally announced at our annual scholarship breakfast on April 27, 2024. We are requesting that you make available to your students the enclosed scholarship application as well as any accompanying documents. Additional information regarding the admissions process to the university as well as the Presidential Scholarship is available at the guidance office of area high schools.

Please feel free to make additional copies of the application. For additional information, please contact Paul Thompkins at (706) 495-7405 or email at paul39thompkins@gmail.com, or email Rose Walker at rosewalker301@ymail.com.

We thank you in advance for sharing this information with our future professionals of tomorrow.

In Wildcat Spirit,

Paul Thompkins, Chairperson
Scholarship Committee

Enclosure



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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM - 2024

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Augusta Area Alumni Chapter Fort Valley State University was established for the purpose of promoting the university through recruiting eligible high school students and providing scholarships in efforts to increase attendance. This year our Alumni Chapter will be awarding several Mildred F. Southward Memorial Scholarships to Richmond, Columbia, Lincoln, Warren, Burke, McDuffie, Jefferson, and Aiken Counties students who will be graduating from high school and attending Fort Valley State University in the Fall.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

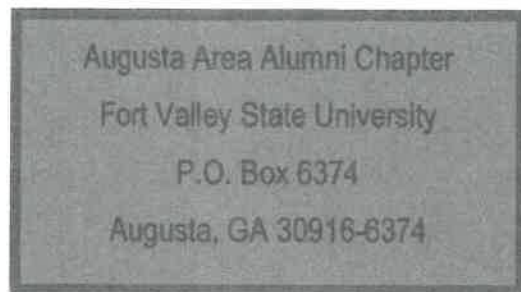
Applicants must:

1. Reside and attend high school in Richmond, Columbia, Lincoln, Warren, Burke, McDuffie, Jefferson and / or Aiken Counties.
2. Plan to attend Fort Valley State University in the Fall.
3. Provide a copy of the **acceptance letter** from Fort Valley State University.

INSTRUCTIONS

Applicants must follow **ALL** application instructions.

1. Application form must be typewritten or legibly handwritten in blue or black ink. Additional pages may be attached, as necessary.
2. Applicants must attach a **typed, double-spaced 250 word essay in Times Roman (12 font)**, to the applicant form. The essay should describe why you selected Fort Valley State University and what you hope to accomplish after you receive your college degree.
3. All applications (form with attached essay) must be **POSTMARKED** on or before **March 29th**.
4. Application not postmarked by this date will be disqualified.
5. All correspondence should be mailed to the above address.
6. Awardees will be notified directly by email on **April 2nd**.



The Mildred Floyd Southward Memorial Scholarship

The Mildred Floyd Southward Memorial Scholarship is established to assist students who reside and attend high school in Columbia, Lincoln, McDuffie, Richmond, Warren, Burke, Jefferson, and Aiken Counties, who plan to attend the Fort Valley State University to complete an undergraduate course or study. The scholarship will be awarded at the beginning of the semester for which the student enrolls. The amount of the award will be determined by the local Alumni Chapter.

The Scholarship is a memorial to Mrs. Mildred Floyd Southward.

Mrs. Southward (1914-2000) was a native of Statesboro, Georgia where she received her early education training at Phoebe Floyd Elementary School and William James High School. She received further high school training at Paine College in Augusta, Georgia, and a diploma from Fort Valley Normal and Industrial School in 1936. She received a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education from Fort Valley State College (now Fort Valley State University) in 1953. She retired as an Elementary Teacher from the Richmond County School System in Augusta, Georgia after teaching forty-one (41) years.

Mrs. Southward was a member of the St. Mary's Episcopal Church and served as a Lay Reader. She was married to the late Mr. Alvin W. Southward, Jr. and had one daughter, Mrs. Phoebe Ann Southward Ali, who is also a graduate of Fort Valley State University.

Mrs. Southward was one of the founders of the CSRA Alumni Chapter, now the Augusta Area Alumni Chapter, FVSU. She was a life member of the National Alumni Association FVSU and was inducted into the Fort Valley State University Alumni Hall of Fame for Outstanding Service in 1981. Mrs. Southward was truly an outstanding Alumnus and supporter of Fort Valley State University.

FORT VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY
The Mildred F. Southward Memorial Scholarship - 2024

Name: _____
Last First Middle

Address: _____
Street Name or P. O. Box

City County State Zip Code

Home or Cell Telephone: _____
(Area Code) Number

E-mail address _____

Name of High School: _____

Date of Graduation & GPA _____

Anticipated Major: _____

Extracurricular /activities (e.g., band, honor societies, athletics; Include leadership position(s) held if any): _____

Community Service/Activities (e.g., Church choir, usher, scout trooper leader, volunteer, etc.):

Career Goal(s) (e.g., to become an engineer, teacher, doctor, accountant, etc.);

Attach Essay: Describe why you selected Fort Valley State University. What do you hope to accomplish after you receive your college degree?

I do hereby acknowledge that the attached essay is my original composition and that all other application information is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's Signature: _____ DATE: _____