

Alfred T. Butler, Jr. Scholarship
2007-2008 Application Packet
South Carolina Alliance of Black School Educators



The South Carolina Alliance of Black School Educators (SCABSE) announces plans to award scholarships to students planning to major in education or to continue their studies in teacher education.

The goal of these scholarships parallels one of the goals of the Center for Educator Recruitment, Retention and Advancement (CERRA) to increase the number of ethnic minorities teaching in classrooms across the state. CERRA has agreed to administer the offering of four (4) \$1,000 scholarships to assist in college expenses for qualified South Carolina students. The scholarship is renewable each year for up to 4 years for a total of \$4000.00. The scholarship recipient agrees to remain a full-time student in an accredited education program and maintain at least a 3.0 Cumulative GPA for each academic year. The scholarship recipients must submit an official transcript to SCABSE in order to confirm their eligibility each year.

WHO CAN APPLY: Either South Carolina high school seniors who are planning to teach **or** South Carolina college undergraduate students already majoring in education. Applicants must be South Carolina residents.

HOW TO APPLY: Complete and return **TWO COPIES** of the following items:

- Application Form
- Two (2) essays
- Three (3) reference forms in signed, sealed envelopes
- Official transcript(s) in sealed envelope

TO:

Alfred T. Butler, Jr. Scholarship
CERRA
Stewart House at Winthrop University
Rock Hill SC 29733

APPLICATIONS: Applications can be requested from CERRA, accessed through the SCABSE Web site at www.scabse.com or the CERRA Web site at www.cerra.org

DEADLINE: April 4, 2008 at 4:00 PM

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Scholarship (20%)
- Activities (school, community, employment) (20%)
- Written expression and commitment (40%)
- Recommendations (20%)

ANNOUNCEMENT: The selected scholarship recipients will be announced by the first of May 2008. All applicants will be notified by mail.

DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS: SCABSE will disburse funds directly to the college or university.

CONTACT FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

Tria Grant, Program Director at CERRA, 803.323.4032 or 800.476.2387

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER _____

Alfred T. Butler, Jr. Scholarship
2007-2008 Application
South Carolina Alliance of Black School Educators



Please make sure that you:

- Print in ink or type all requested information, including your **social security number** on each page;
- Secure a recommendation on the forms provided from **two persons in the school** (or college/department of education) and **another person of your choice**;
- Complete the **two essays** as directed;
- Attach a **sealed copy of your official high school (or college) transcript** including verification of your GPA;
- Return **TWO** copies of your completed application by April 4, 2008 at 4:00PM.

SCABSE Scholarship Application
CERRA
Stewart House at Winthrop University
Rock Hill SC 29733

Name _____
FIRST MIDDLE LAST

OPTIONAL: Ethnicity _____ Gender _____

Permanent Address

STREET OR PO BOX

CITY STATE ZIP

(_____) _____
HOME PHONE NUMBER

(_____) _____
MOBILE PHONE NUMBER

School attending THIS year _____

College/University _____
(WHERE SCHOLARSHIP SHOULD BE SENT)

Cumulative GPA _____ **(ATTACH SEALED COPY OF YOUR TRANSCRIPT)**

Anticipated YEAR of College Graduation 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012



Applications must be received at CERRA no later than April 4, 2008 at 4:00 PM.

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER _____

SIGNIFICANT SCHOOL ACTIVITIES, LEADERSHIP POSITIONS, HONORS/RECOGNITION

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Include community, religious organization and work experiences

ESSAY DIRECTIONS

Write a one-page essay on each of the following topics. Essays must be double-spaced and typed using 12-point font with one inch margins. You may use the attached pages or your own paper.

Essay 1: You are now at the close of your career in education. Your colleagues and former students are planning a retirement celebration for you. What do you hope they will say about your accomplishments as an educator?

Essay 2: What approaches will you take to honor the diversity of the students in your classes?

RETURN TO: **Alfred T. Butler, Jr. Scholarship**
CERRA
The Stewart House at Winthrop University
Rock Hill, South Carolina 29733



Applications must be received at CERRA no later than April 4, 2008 at 4:00 PM.

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER _____

Essay 1

You are now at the close of your career in education. Your colleagues and former students are planning a retirement celebration for you. What do you hope they will say about your accomplishments as an educator?

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER _____

Essay 2

What approaches will you take to honor the diversity of the students in your classes?

Alfred T. Butler, Jr. Scholarship

South Carolina Association of Black School Educators
 Educator Scholarship Reference Form 2007-2008

REFERENCE: FROM APPLICANT'S SCHOOL



To the individual completing the application: This reference will enable the Screening Committee to better evaluate the applicant. You are asked to complete the form and seal it in an envelope with your signature written across the seal. Please return the sealed envelope to the applicant. This will be forwarded to CERRA as a part of the applicant's file. The reference is confidential and will be read only by the Screening Committee. Your candid response will be most helpful in the selection of future teachers for South Carolina. Please use the space provided; additional sheets will not be reviewed.

APPLICANT'S NAME: _____

Please indicate how often you have observed each of the following traits by circling the appropriate rating by each, using the following scale.

1 RARELY		2 OCCASIONALLY		3 FREQUENTLY		NA / NOT APPLICABLE	
1	2	3	NA	brings new dimensions to topics of discussion or activities			
1	2	3	NA	will not settle for a mediocre solution when a better one can be found			
1	2	3	NA	works beyond assignments			
1	2	3	NA	seeks knowledge for its own sake			
1	2	3	NA	is interested in many activities and topics			
1	2	3	NA	does not fear being different; takes a stand when appropriate			
1	2	3	NA	plans future activities; sets long-term goals			
1	2	3	NA	takes responsibility for his or her own actions			
1	2	3	NA	exhibits leadership by initiating activities within a group			
1	2	3	NA	exhibits flexibility when dealing with change or new situations			
1	2	3	NA	is gracious when fulfilling unpleasant tasks			
1	2	3	NA	has the respect of his or her teachers			
1	2	3	NA	has the respect of his or her supervisor or employer			
1	2	3	NA	has the respect of his or her peers			
1	2	3	NA	has expressed an interest in teaching			

Alfred T. Butler, Jr. Scholarship

South Carolina Association of Black School Educators
 Educator Scholarship Reference Form 2007-2008



REFERENCE: FROM APPLICANT'S SCHOOL

To the individual completing the application: This reference will enable the Screening Committee to better evaluate the applicant. You are asked to complete the form and seal it in an envelope with your signature written across the seal. Please return the sealed envelope to the applicant. This will be forwarded to CERRA as a part of the applicant's file. The reference is confidential and will be read only by the Screening Committee. Your candid response will be most helpful in the selection of future teachers for South Carolina. Please use the space provided; additional sheets will not be reviewed.

APPLICANT'S NAME: _____

Please indicate how often you have observed each of the following traits by circling the appropriate rating by each, using the following scale.

1 RARELY	2 OCCASIONALLY	3 FREQUENTLY	NA / NOT APPLICABLE
----------	----------------	--------------	---------------------

1	2	3	NA	brings new dimensions to topics of discussion or activities
1	2	3	NA	will not settle for a mediocre solution when a better one can be found
1	2	3	NA	works beyond assignments
1	2	3	NA	seeks knowledge for its own sake
1	2	3	NA	is interested in many activities and topics
1	2	3	NA	does not fear being different; takes a stand when appropriate
1	2	3	NA	plans future activities; sets long-term goals
1	2	3	NA	takes responsibility for his or her own actions
1	2	3	NA	exhibits leadership by initiating activities within a group
1	2	3	NA	exhibits flexibility when dealing with change or new situations
1	2	3	NA	is gracious when fulfilling unpleasant tasks
1	2	3	NA	has the respect of his or her teachers
1	2	3	NA	has the respect of his or her supervisor or employer
1	2	3	NA	has the respect of his or her peers
1	2	3	NA	has expressed an interest in teaching

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER _____

1. What one trait of this applicant do you think will be the strongest indication for his or her likely success as an accomplished teacher?

2. How do you know this applicant? How long have you known the applicant?

3. Please give specific examples and details from work, community or school settings which best describe this applicant's strength of character.

REFERENCE ASSESSMENT SCORE

OVERALL RECOMMENDATION OF THIS APPLICANT AS A POTENTIAL TEACHER

This rating is not a numerical average of the ratings on the previous page.

1 AVERAGE

2 ABOVE AVERAGE

3 SUPERIOR

Signature _____

Your Name _____

Profession and Position _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Work Phone () _____ Mobile Phone () _____

Email _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS COMPLETED FORM TO THE APPLICANT IN A SEALED ENVELOPE WITH YOUR SIGNATURE ACROSS THE SEAL.

Alfred T. Butler, Jr. Scholarship

South Carolina Association of Black School Educators
 Educator Scholarship Reference Form 2007-2008



REFERENCE: APPLICANT'S CHOICE

To the individual completing the application: This reference will enable the Screening Committee to better evaluate the applicant. You are asked to complete the form and seal it in an envelope with your signature written across the seal. Please return the sealed envelope to the applicant. This will be forwarded to CERRA as a part of the applicant's file. The reference is confidential and will be read only by the Screening Committee. Your candid response will be most helpful in the selection of future teachers for South Carolina. Please use the space provided; additional sheets will not be reviewed.

APPLICANT'S NAME: _____

Please indicate how often you have observed each of the following traits by circling the appropriate rating by each, using the following scale.

1 RARELY	2 OCCASIONALLY	3 FREQUENTLY	NA / NOT APPLICABLE	
1	2	3	NA	brings new dimensions to topics of discussion or activities
1	2	3	NA	will not settle for a mediocre solution when a better one can be found
1	2	3	NA	works beyond assignments
1	2	3	NA	seeks knowledge for its own sake
1	2	3	NA	is interested in many activities and topics
1	2	3	NA	does not fear being different; takes a stand when appropriate
1	2	3	NA	plans future activities; sets long-term goals
1	2	3	NA	takes responsibility for his or her own actions
1	2	3	NA	exhibits leadership by initiating activities within a group
1	2	3	NA	exhibits flexibility when dealing with change or new situations
1	2	3	NA	is gracious when fulfilling unpleasant tasks
1	2	3	NA	has the respect of his or her teachers
1	2	3	NA	has the respect of his or her supervisor or employer
1	2	3	NA	has the respect of his or her peers
1	2	3	NA	has expressed an interest in teaching

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER _____

1. What one trait of this applicant do you think will be the strongest indication for his or her likely success as an accomplished teacher?

2. How do you know this applicant? How long have you known the applicant?

3. Please give specific examples and details from work, community or school settings which best describe this applicant's strength of character.

REFERENCE ASSESSMENT SCORE

OVERALL RECOMMENDATION OF THIS APPLICANT AS A POTENTIAL TEACHER

This rating is not a numerical average of the ratings on the previous page.

1 AVERAGE

2 ABOVE AVERAGE

3 SUPERIOR

Signature _____

Your Name _____

Profession and Position _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Work Phone () _____ Mobile Phone () _____

Email _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS COMPLETED FORM TO THE APPLICANT IN A SEALED ENVELOPE WITH YOUR SIGNATURE ACROSS THE SEAL.