



NATIONAL NAVAL OFFICERS ASSOCIATION  
TIDEWATER CHAPTER  
PO BOX 454, NORFOLK, VIRGINIA 23501  
Website: <http://nnoa.org/chapter-tidewater/>

*Dedicated to leadership, diversity, retention, recruitment and professional development in the sea services*

January 31, 2019

Counselors, Parents & Students,

I am Lieutenant Commander Lee Stenson, USCG, Vice President, Tidewater Chapter National Naval Officers Association (NNOA). NNOA would like to extend a wonderful opportunity for your consideration. Each year NNOA offers **Vice Admiral Samuel Gravely Scholarship** awards to qualified students entering their freshmen year of college. Vice Admiral Gravely was distinguished as the first African American to command a U.S. Navy warship, to be promoted to flag rank, and to command an entire Navy Fleet. In his honor, we award three scholarships to Hampton Roads high school seniors. Information on VADM Gravely: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Samuel\\_L.\\_Gravely\\_Jr](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Samuel_L._Gravely_Jr).

To be eligible for the Vice Admiral Samuel Gravely Scholarship students must:

- be a high school senior in the State of Virginia
- have a grade point average of 3.0 or better
- have been accepted to attend a 4 year accredited college or university
- complete the application with ALL required documents attached, including a letter of recommendation from a school official (teacher, guidance counselor, principal/assistant principal)
- Complete an essay answering the following question.

**Essay Question :** The theme for 2019 is the *celebration of unity through diversity*.

With an ever more diverse population, please explain what you have done to unify your community, school, or social circle through group activities, one-on-one interactions or social media.

- The essay must be a minimum of 500 words typed, double-spaced and single sided. We will accept essays and applications post-marked not later than 5 April, 2019.

Mail or scan/email completed applications to:

NNOA Tidewater Chapter

P.O. Box 454

Norfolk, VA 23501-0454

Email: [TCNNOA@gmail.com](mailto:TCNNOA@gmail.com) or [cgwarrior25@gmail.com](mailto:cgwarrior25@gmail.com)

Note: The award winners will be announced around the third week of April 2019.

One first-place award of **\$2,500** and runner-up awards of **\$1,500** and **\$1,000** will be presented at a formal ceremony in May 2019. *Awards will be sent to each college/university upon verification of enrollment.* Any questions may be addressed to the Scholarship Selection Committee Representative via email [TCNNOA@gmail.com](mailto:TCNNOA@gmail.com) or [cgwarrior25@gmail.com](mailto:cgwarrior25@gmail.com)

Sincerely,

Lee Stenson, Lieutenant Commander, USCG  
Vice President, NNOA Tidewater Chapter



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**2019 VICE ADMIRAL SAMUEL L. GRAVELY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

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NAME (Last, First, MI)		Social Security Number XXX---XX---XXXX	
Applicant's Address			
Applicant's Telephone Number w/Area Code		Name of Parent or Guardian	
Parent/Guardian's Address			
Parent/Guardian's Telephone Number w/Area Code		Name of High School	
High School Address			
High School Telephone w/Area Code		Graduation Date	
Citizenship  U.S.                      Naturalized (give date                      )		Gender    Male	Female
		Virginia Resident    Yes_____                      No_____	
Ethnic Background		Height ____ (ft) ____ (in)	Weight ____ (lbs)
Applicant's E---mail Address		Prior Military Experience (i.e. Junior Marines, Sea Cadets, NJROTC. Include dates)	
Choice of College or University			

**SCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES**

From grades 9-12, list academic honor societies and any related awards.

SOCIETY	AWARDS

**EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

Include NJROTC, Civil Air Patrol, school, church, scouts, S.T.E.M. clubs and community organizations, etc.

ORGANIZATION	POSITION HELD

**ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES**

SPORT	POSITION / SPECIALTY	RECOGNITION / LETTER / AWARD

List other activities not mentioned above. Include only those that involve leadership, responsibility, or community service. Attach additional sheets if needed.

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COLLEGE BOARD RESULTS      SAT Total      Reading      ACT composite \_\_\_\_\_

(attach copy of ACT/SACT scores)      SAT: Writing Math      ACT: English      Math \_\_\_\_\_

SAT: Multi. Choice      Essay ACT: Reading      Science \_\_\_\_\_

CLASS RANK:      CLASS SIZE:      GPA:      on a 4.0 scale

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	
	YES / NO
Have you ever applied for or signed an agreement concerning any program leading to a commission in any of the armed services?	
Have you ever gone by any other name than what you printed on this application?	
Have you ever been arrested, summoned to court, detained, or convicted for any civil or military law violations? Include moving violations and juvenile	
Have you ever sniffed glue, used marijuana, LSD, cocaine, or any other controlled substance or have you ever been charged with a drug related crime	
Have you ever taken any narcotic, sedative, or tranquilizer other than those prescribed by your physician or dentist?	
If you answered "YES" to any of the above questions, please attach a statement on a separate sheet of paper.	
<b>ATTACHMENTS</b>	
In order to complete this application, please ensure you have attached the following:**	
<p>(1) A recent photograph of yourself (school picture or similar caliber, electronic submission preferred).  <b>Essay Question:</b> The theme for 2019 is the <i>celebration of unity through diversity</i>.            With an ever more diverse population, please explain what you have done to unify your community, school, or social circle through group activities, one-on-one interactions or social media (ex: <i>Instagram, Facebook, Twitter</i>, etc).            (The essay must be a minimum of 500 words typed, double----spaced and single sided)</p> <p>(2) Letter of recommendation from school official referencing your motivation and aptitude to complete a 4yr degree.</p> <p>(3) Copy of your college or university letter of acceptance.</p> <p>(4) Copy of ACT or SAT results ("official" copy NOT required)</p> <p>(5) Copy of high school transcript ("official" copy NOT required)</p> <p>If you have prior college experience, attach copy of your transcript ("official" copy not required)</p> <p>(6) Additional or amplifying information to any questions on this application as required.</p> <p>(7) Copy of awards listed on this application.</p> <p>(8) Provide a brief statement (1-2 paragraphs) explaining why you would benefit from this scholarship. Ideas to consider discussing are your plans for financing college education and current and foreseeable financial difficulties.</p> <p>(9) Signed and dated Privacy Act Statement and Statement of Understanding (enclosed)</p> <p><b>**NOTE:</b> Although not required, electronic documentation submission is preferred (including required signatures).</p>	
<b>READ AND SIGN</b>	
I understand that this application does not obligate me in any way, and that I may withdraw my application at any time. I certify that all information is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge under penalty of forfeiture of scholarship benefits.	
Signature	Date

**Privacy Act Statement/Statement of Understanding**

**AUTHORITY:** Title 10 U.S.Code §§ 5014 and 5020

**PURPOSE:** To determine if the applicant is qualified for the scholarship purposes only. Disclosure of Last four of Social Security Number is voluntary, and if provided is used to further identify the individual providing the information.

**ROUTINE USES:** The information is used for the purpose set forth above and if selected may be:

--- forwarded to the College or University of the Applicants Choice ONLY:

**THIS DISCLOSURE IS STRICTLY VOLUNTARY, AND WILL NOT ADVERSELY EFFECT THE APPLICANT PROVIDING THE INFORMATION. IT WILL BE USED BY NNOA TIDEWATER CHAPTER FOR SCHOLARSHIP PURPOSES ONLY.**

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT:**

I understand the provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974 as related to me through the foregoing statement.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY ---- PRIVACY SENSITIVE

Any misuse or unauthorized disclosure may result in both civil and criminal penalties.

