

DR. CONSTANCE GOODE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

recognizing the memory of Dr. Constance L. Goode and providing resources to African American students who plan to teach



The Constance L. Goode Memorial Scholarship honors an exceptional woman, mother, education and leader.

Those who are blessed to have known Connie have a special appreciation for her profound impact on society. Born in 1938 in Chicago, she developed a passion for education as a teen when she began teaching a cousin with a learning disability how to read. That experience shaped her future, and she went on to earn a bachelor's and a master's degree in the field of education, followed by a Ph.D. in Continuing Adult Vocational Education.

During her 30-year tenure in Rockford School District, she taught at Washington Jr. Middle School and worked as a high school counselor at East, Auburn and Jefferson. She was a tenured professor at Northern Illinois University in Curriculum and Instruction for the last ten years of her educational journey. Through her passion for counseling, she observed students, encouraged their spirits, and inspired them to reach their potential.

After suffering a massive stroke and a long battle with dementia, through God's grace, she went home to be with the Lord on April 14, 2015. Much prayer and reflection led Connie's family and friends to establish a scholarship in her name to celebrate her legacy and her commitment to excellence in education.

APPLICANT MUST:

- Be an African American graduating high school senior or graduate of a Rockford Public High School;
- Be pursuing a degree with the intent to teach;
- Be actively involved in community service; and
- Have a minimum GPA of 2.5/4.0.

DEADLINE: February 1

TO APPLY: Visit cfnil.org/scholarships and follow the instructions under “How to Register & Apply”.

When you're ready, look for the  Application Portal link to start your application.

CFNIL's online application will automatically match you to every one of CFNIL's 90+ scholarships for which you are eligible. CFNIL awards more than \$300,000 in scholarships every year. The deadline for scholarship applications is February 1.

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