



Atlanta Association of Insurance Professionals

NAAIA Atlanta

2026–2027

T. M. Alexander, Sr. Annual Scholarship

Empowering Future Leaders in Insurance, Business, and Law

About the Scholarship

The **T.M. Alexander Annual Scholarship Award**, established in 1990, recognizes **exceptional students of color** in Georgia who demonstrate academic excellence, leadership, and a commitment to advancing diversity. This scholarship supports high school seniors and college students pursuing careers in **insurance, business, and law**.

Presented by the **Atlanta Association of Insurance Professionals (AAIP)/ NAAIA Atlanta** - a nonprofit organization of industry professionals—the award reflects our mission to foster **professional development, mentorship, community engagement, and educational opportunities** for underrepresented communities.

The Legacy of Theodore Martin Alexander, Sr.

Born March 7, 1909, in Montgomery, Alabama, **T.M. Alexander, Sr.** graduated with honors from Morehouse College in 1931. A trailblazer in the insurance industry and civic leadership, he founded **T.M. Alexander & Company, Inc.** and later established **Southeastern Fidelity Fire and Casualty Company**, the first Black-owned multi-line insurance company.

Beyond business, Mr. Alexander championed **representation and equity**, running for public office and inspiring future generations of Black leaders. His lifelong dedication to education, entrepreneurship, and community advancement continues to shape opportunities for students today.

(Source: Auburn Avenue Research Library on African American Culture and History)

Eligibility

Applicants must meet **all** of the following criteria:

1. **Residency:** Must be a resident of Georgia



2. **Academic Achievement:** Minimum overall GPA of 3.2
 3. **Identity:** Self-identify as a student of color, including but not limited to:
 - American Indian or Alaska Native
 - Asian American
 - Black or African American
 - Hispanic or Latino
 - Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
 4. **Citizenship:** U.S. citizen
 5. **Enrollment:** Full-time student at an accredited four-year college/university during the 2026–2027 academic year
 - High school seniors must provide proof of acceptance and intent to enroll
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Application Requirements

Submit a complete application package including:

- **Essay:** Two essays (maximum two pages)
- **Transcript(s):** Official high school or college transcript(s)
- **Recommendations:** Two Letters of Recommendation (one from a teacher/professor, and one from a non-family member)
- **Resume:** One-page resume

Applicants must also participate in an interview (virtual or in-person). Failure to attend will result in disqualification.

Selection Criteria

Recipients will be chosen based on:

- Academic performance
- Leadership and community involvement, and service
- Letters of recommendation
- Resume and biographical sketch
- Essay

All winners will be notified prior to any public announcement.



Award

AAIP will award **\$1,000–\$10,000** in scholarship funds, which may be granted to one outstanding applicant or divided among **up to five recipients**. Funds will be paid directly to the college/university and split between Fall and Spring semesters.

Applicants are limited to two scholarship awards during the tenure of their college/university enrollment.

Terms and Conditions

Recipients agree to:

- Grant AAIP/NAAIA Atlanta the right to publish their selection on Association social media platforms
- Attend the **Annual AAIP Scholarship and Golf Tournament** on June 2, 2026
- Provide academic progress updates upon request during award year
- The scholar acknowledges the college/university enrollment requirement and understands that failure to provide proof of enrollment for the scholarship award academic year will result in forfeiture of the scholarship.
- Join and support AAIP/NAAIA Atlanta during college or upon entry into their professional field

Submission & Questions

Email completed applications by Wednesday **April 1st, 2026** to:

aaipscholarships@gmail.com

For questions, contact **Kim Geter (Scholarship Chair)** at **aaipscholarships@gmail.com**

More details: www.aaip1988.org