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RUBONAMA EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2027
In Memory of Ruth Bonareri Nyamangorora Marucha
“Give Them A Chance”

Application Period: September 1, 2026 – November 15th, 2026

Deadline: November 15th, 2026, at 11:59 p.m. (Eastern Time)

IMPORTANT APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

1. **All applicants must complete the 2027 Scholarship Application Form.**
2. **The complete application and all required supporting documents must be scanned clearly and submitted as ONE PDF attachment by email to rubonama@gmail.com. Any application that is not submitted as one PDF attachment will be disqualified.**
3. Applications must be received no later than **November 15th, 2026, at 11:59 p.m. (Eastern Time)**. Late applications will not be accepted.
4. Applicants must submit all required supporting documents, including academic records, recommendations, proof of school enrollment/acceptance, and evidence of financial need. **Incomplete applications will be disqualified.**
5. All information provided must be truthful, accurate, and complete. **Applicants who submit false, misleading, or fraudulent information will be disqualified and permanently barred from future scholarship consideration by the Rubonama Educational Foundation and its affiliates.**
6. Applications must be typed or completed legibly. Illegible applications will not be considered.
7. Applicants will be notified by phone, or email after a scholarship decision has been made. Applicants are responsible for providing accurate and current contact information.
8. **The application form must be completed by ALL applicants, including new and renewal applicants.**
9. Questions regarding the application process may be directed to **(862) 201-8679** or rubonama@gmail.com.

PURPOSE

The Rubonama Educational Foundation provides educational scholarships to underprivileged students who, due to circumstances beyond their control, have limited opportunities to obtain a quality education. Scholarships provide financial assistance to economically disadvantaged students enrolled in **primary or junior secondary education in public schools in Kenya.**

SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION

Awards are based on **financial need, academic performance and potential, personal achievements, community service, recommendations, and available funds.** Scholarships are awarded annually and may be renewed when funding is available, and the recipient meets all renewal requirements.

Scholarship funds are paid **directly to the recipient's school.** Recipients must maintain satisfactory academic progress, including a minimum **C grade average or equivalent satisfactory learner progress**, and must apply for renewal.

Scholarships are awarded without regard to **race, color, ethnicity, gender, or sexual orientation**, in accordance with applicable law.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Applicants must:

- Be **Kenyan citizens with permanent residence in Kenya.**
- Be entering or enrolled in **Grade 3 through Grade 9** in a primary or junior secondary school.
- Normally demonstrate **Meeting Expectations (ME)** or equivalent satisfactory learner progress under the Competency-Based Education (CBE) system. Applicants with AE or BE performance may be considered when financial hardship or circumstances beyond their control have affected academic performance.
- Be accepted or enrolled as a **full-time student** for the upcoming academic year.
- Demonstrate **financial need.**

- Submit a complete application and all required documents by the deadline.
 - Obtain Foundation approval before changing schools after receiving a scholarship.
 - Understand that scholarship awards, including partial scholarships, are subject to available funds and Foundation approval.
- Preference may be given to applicants who have participated in Rubonama Educational Foundation programs.
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NEW APPLICANTS — REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

All new applicants must submit:

- **Completed 2027 Scholarship Application Form**, including a passport-size photograph and copy of identification, if available.
 - **Official school report card/learner progress report**, emailed directly to rubonama@gmail.com as a PDF.
 - **Academic recommendation** from a teacher, guidance counselor, or school official.
 - **Recommendation letter** from a qualified government or community official, such as an Assistant Chief, Chief, Education Officer (DEO), County Commissioner, or Sub-County Commissioner.
 - **Proof of school acceptance or enrollment** for the upcoming academic year.
 - **Brief written explanation of financial need**, explaining why the applicant/family is unable to pay the required school fees.
 - Any additional documentation requested by the Foundation.
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RENEWAL APPLICANTS — REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

Renewal applicants must:

- Complete and submit the renewal application on time.
 - Remain enrolled in a Rubonama Educational Foundation-supported program.
 - Maintain a minimum **C grade average or equivalent satisfactory learner progress**.
 - Demonstrate continued financial need.
 - Submit a personal statement describing the academic year, accomplishments, challenges, lessons learned, and future goals.
 - Maintain permanent residence in Kenya.
 - Submit an **official school report card/learner progress report and current school fees structure at the end of each term**.
 - Email the school documents to rubonama@gmail.com as **ONE PDF document**. Required school documentation must be received before continued scholarship funds can be considered.
 - Obtain Foundation approval before changing schools.
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SUBMISSION

FINAL DEADLINE: November 15th, 2026, AT 11:59 P.M. (EASTERN TIME)

Email the complete application package as ONE PDF attachment to: rubonama@gmail.com

The applicant's full name should appear in the email subject line.

Any application not emailed as ONE PDF attachment will be disqualified.

Applications may also be mailed to:

**“Give Them A Chance” Scholarship Program
Rubonama Educational Foundation
124 North Grove St.
East Orange, NJ 07017**

Note: If an application is mailed, the Foundation may require the applicant to provide the complete application packet in one PDF by email as part of the review process.

**Rubonama Educational Foundation
“Give Them A Chance”**

Rubonama Educational Foundation Scholarship Application 2027
“Give Them a Chance” Scholarship



Applicant Instructions

Please **type your answers on a separate sheet or print your answers clearly in the spaces provided below.**
 Applications that are not readable will be rejected.

2027 Application form - must be filled out by all applicants.

Please check one of the following:
 New Scholarship applicant _____
 Scholarship Renewal _____

Please print answers below or type on a separate sheet. If application is not readable, it will be rejected.			
1	Last Name: _____	First Name: _____ Middle Name: _____	
2	Kenya Postal Address P.O. Box: _____ Postal Code: _____ Town/City: _____ County: _____ Sub-County: _____		
3	Parent(s) or Legal Guardian(s) Name(s): _____ P.O. Box: _____ Postal Code: _____ Town/City: _____ County: _____ Phone: _____		
4	Current School Current Primary/Junior School: _____	Number of years attended: _____	
5	School You Will Attend in 2027 Name of School: _____ Postal Address: P.O. Box: _____ Postal Code: _____ Town/City: _____ County: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____		
6	CBE Grade: Which CBE Grade will you enter in 2027? Check one: Grade 3 _____ Grade 4 _____ Grade 5 _____ Grade 6 _____ Grade 7 _____ Grade 8 _____ Grade 9 _____		
7	Student Status Will you be a full-time student ? Check one: Yes _____; No _____		

8	Day or Boarding Student Will you be a day or boarding student ? Check one: Day: _____ Boarding: _____ If you will not live at school, where will you be living and with whom? _____																													
9	Overall CBE Performance Level : Term 1: _____ Term 2: _____ Term 3: _____ _____ (EE / ME / AE / BE, or the equivalent used by your school) Attach proof of the most recent official learner progress report/report card.																													
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12	Learning Areas, Talents, Career Interests, and Senior School Pathway What learning areas, talents, career interests, or future Senior School pathways are you interested in as you continue your education? _____ _____ _____																													
13	School Fees Attach the current official school fee structure with the official school stamp. (Must be provided every term) No handwritten figures will be accepted.																													
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15	SCHOOL EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES Please list school extracurricular activities in which you have participated. Include any leadership roles and dates. _____ _____ _____ _____																													
16	AREA OF STUDY: What do you want to study and why? _____ _____ _____																													

17	Please list community organizations, including service, volunteer, and religious organizations in which you are currently active or have previously been active. Include leadership roles and dates.
18	RECOGNITIONS: Please list important awards and recognitions you have received. Include the organization presenting the honor and the date received.

Please provide the following information on a separate sheet if additional space is needed.

19	GOALS: What are your goals? Short-Term Goals: Long-Term Goals:
20	NEED: Please explain why you need the Rubonama Educational Foundation to award you this scholarship.
21	CAREER PLANS What are your career plans, and what would you like to be doing when you graduate?
22	REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS The following items must be attached to this application for the application to be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee. Your application will be rejected if any required item is missing. No exceptions. Circle “YES” or “NO” to confirm that each required item has been attached.

YES	NO	References: Two academic references from a guidance counselor and/or teacher and a recommendation letter from the Chief or Assistant Chief, Education Officer, County Commissioner, or Sub-County Commissioner. All reference forms and recommendation letters must include the following contact information for the person providing the reference or recommendation: Address, phone number, email and title.
YES	NO	Proof of Current Student Enrollment A letter confirming current student enrollment is required. For new applicants, a letter of acceptance or enrollment from a primary or secondary school is required before the scholarship can be awarded.
YES	NO	Most Recent Official Learner Progress Report/Report Card. Minimum of C <u> </u> for renewal Attach the most recent official CBE learner progress report/report card. Renewal applicants should normally demonstrate overall Meeting Expectations (ME) or equivalent satisfactory learner progress.
YES	NO	ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS 1–21 Please provide additional answers on a separate sheet if more space is needed

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY

I hereby affirm that all information provided by me to the Rubonama Scholarship Committee is true, correct, and complete and that I have not submitted any forged or falsified documents.

I also consent to my photograph being taken and used for any purpose deemed necessary to promote the Rubonama **“Give Them a Chance” Scholarship Program.**

I understand that, if selected for a scholarship, according to Rubonama’s scholarship policy, I must provide evidence of enrollment or registration at an educational institution before any scholarship funds can be awarded.

Signature of Scholarship:

Applicant or Guardian for Applicants Below Grade 5: _____ **Date:** _____

Witness Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

APPLICATION DEADLINE

This application packet MUST be received by the Rubonama Scholarship Committee no later than Saturday, November 15th, 2026, at 11:59 P.M. Eastern Time. No Exceptions.