The ***National Coalition for Black Development in Family and Consumer Sciences (NCBDFCS)*** endeavors to enhance and strengthen resources and programs of Historical Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) by sharing expertise, implement an annual program of work that provides opportunities for members to increase their knowledge of FCS, and use their knowledge and skills to make a difference in the lives of individuals, families and communities.

Student Travel Scholarship Application Form

The **Student Travel Scholarship Award** of the National Coalition for Black Development in Family and Consumer Sciences offers HBCU students with financial need the opportunity to participate in the American Association of Family & Consumer Sciences Conference (AAFCS).

Application deadline: May 31, 2026

Date: _____

Name of Applicant: _____

Local Address: _____

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Local Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Gender: _____ Male _____ Female

Race/Ethnicity:
_____ African American
_____ Caucasian
_____ Hispanic/Latino
_____ Asian
_____ Other (write in) _____

University: _____

Department: _____

Major: _____

Cumulative GPA: _____

Anticipated Graduation Date: _____

Current Class Standing:
_____ Freshman
_____ Sophomore
_____ Junior
_____ Senior
_____ Graduate

Name of **Faculty Reference**: _____

Title: _____

University: _____

Department: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Signature: _____

Instructions for Applicant

- Complete this application form and personal statement.
- One reference letter is required from your advisor.
- Mail the completed application form and reference letter to the NCBDFCS NCBDFCS Awards and Scholarships Committee Chair:

Dr. Samii Kennedy-Benson
Samii_kennedybenson@subr.edu

- Your complete application must be received by May 31, 2026.

Eligibility Requirements

- Student must be a full-time undergraduate or graduate student at an HBCU.
- Must be accepted to present a poster or oral presentation at the AAFCS conference.
- Must have declared a major in Family and Consumer Sciences.

Note: Postdoctoral scientists are not eligible to apply.

Selection Process

The Coalition Board of Directors and/or Fellowship & Grants Committee will review all applications.

Award Amounts

The amount of each individual award depends on the availability of funding, the number of scholarship applications received, and evidence of financial need.

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Personal Statement

Please complete your personal statement (300 words or less) in the following box. You are asked to express both (a) your interest in attending the AAFCS Annual Meeting and (b) your financial need.