

Board of Education of Anne Arundel County
The Candace C.W. Antwine Military Service Award
Character Reference

Thank you for agreeing to submit a Character Reference for a student applying for the Candace C.W. Antwine Military Service Award. Please complete information on the following page.

Who can submit a character reference?

Any trusted adult who is not a relative—teacher, counselor, coach, job supervisor, clergy, etc.—may submit a character reference.

What to include

In 300 words or less, please tell us why the student should be considered for the Candace C.W. Antwine Military Service Award.

Submitting your Reference

Please name your file in the following way:

- StudentName_reference

Submit this completed form to:

boardoffice@aacps.org

with the subject:

**“Candace Antwine Military Service Award—
Character Reference”**

or mail application to:

Diane Howell

*Attn: Candace Antwine Military Service Award—
Character Reference*

*Board of Education of Anne Arundel County
2644 Riva Road
Annapolis, MD 21401.*

For more information, important dates and deadlines, and a fillable version of this form, visit:

www.aacps.org/ServiceAward.

What is the Candace C.W. Antwine Military Service Award and why should I apply?

The Candace C.W. Military Service Award was established in 2021 to honor the military and civic service of Ms. Antwine, a Navy veteran and former member of the Board of Education of Anne Arundel County who was a committed and passionate voice for military families and children in need throughout Anne Arundel County. Ms. Antwine served the nation in active duty, reserve, and civil servant capacities. She was a member of the Board of Education from 2018 until her death in 2021.

The award is given each May to AACPS students who have made a similar commitment by enlisting to serve in the United States military upon graduation. It assists awardees with initial expenses related to enlisting, including basic training supplies, and aims to remove financial barriers to military service.

Who was Candace C.W. Antwine?



A U.S. Navy veteran, Ms. Antwine was elected in November 2018 to a six-year term representing District 1 on the Board of Education of Anne Arundel County. She took her oath of office on December 3, 2018. Ms. Antwine was a committed voice for children in need and for military families throughout Anne Arundel County. She also concentrated her efforts on eradicating bullying and racial tension in schools and expanding specialized accommodations to assist students with disabilities. Ms. Antwine tirelessly advocated for students, veterans, and animals through various nonprofits such as the Meade High School PTSA and the Maryland State Boys Choir, as well as faith-based organizations.

Ms. Antwine served our country in active duty, reserve, and civil servant capacities, including positions with the National Security Agency via the Naval Security Group, the Department of Defense, and the Department of Homeland Security. She held a bachelor's degree in Broadcasting from the Mississippi University for Women and a master's degree in Acquisition and Procurement from Webster University. She also completed graduate work in Communication, Leadership and Organizational Change at Hawaii Pacific University.

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Applicant's Full Name		
Name of Person Providing Character Reference		
Relationship to the Above Student		
<p>Character Reference <i>In 300 words or less, please tell us why the above student should be considered for the Candace C.W. Antwine Memorial Military Service Award.</i></p>		
		Word Count
Name	Signature	Date

Please submit the reference to boardoffice@aacps.org with the subject: "Candace Antwine Service Award Character Reference" or by mail to Diane Howell, Board of Education of Anne Arundel County, 2644 Riva Rd, Annapolis, MD 21401.