

Board of Education of Anne Arundel County

Candace C.W. Antwine Military Service Award

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.

Important dates and deadlines—along with all application materials—can be found at www.aacps.org/ServiceAward. The application is also available through Naviance.

To apply, please provide the following

- 1. Proof of Enlistment** in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, or Coast Guard
- 2. CV/Resume** (you may use your resume from Naviance) which outlines your achievements/accolades, sports, extra-curricular activities, community service, etc.
- 3. Character Reference** (any trusted adult including teacher, counselor, coach, job supervisor, clergy, etc. who is not a relative). The Character Reference form is available at www.aacps.org/ServiceAward.
- 4. Completed Application** with Open-Ended Essay Question (no more than 300 words)—*Why are you enlisting to serve our country in the military?*

Interview

Finalists will be interviewed by the *Service Award Review Panel*. This interview may be conducted either virtually or in-person.

A Note to All Awardees

Awardees must report back to the Board the following April either by attending the Annual Benefit for the Candace C.W. Antwine Military Service Award or by submitting a video message detailing the highlights of your first year of service in the military and how this award benefited you.

Submitting your Application

Please name your files in the following way:

- YourName_application
- YourName_resume
- YourName_enlistment

Submit all materials to:

boardoffice@aacps.org

with the subject:

“Candace Antwine Military Service Award”

or by mail to:

Diane Howell

*Attn: Candace Antwine Military Service Award
Board of Education of Anne Arundel County
2644 Riva Rd, Annapolis, MD 21401.*

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Applicant's Full Name	Email Address		Phone Number
AACPS School	Grade	GPA (must be a minimum unweighted GPA of 2.5)	
Home Street Address	City	State	ZIP Code
Parent/Guardian's Full Name	Email Address		Phone Number
Home Street Address (Same as above)	City	State MD	ZIP Code
Name of Person Providing Character Reference			

Open Ended Essay *In 300 words or less, please tell us why are you enlisting to serve our country in the military?*

I affirm that all items contained within the application are accurate and truthful.

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Student's Name	Student's Signature	Date
Parent's Name	Parent's Signature	Date

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