

## Form Summary

Name	Akin White
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Birth date	02/25/2003
Age	19
Please Check All that Apply:	African American/Black
High School:	Young Men's Leadership Academy
High School Mailing Address:	5100 Willie St, Fort Worth, TX, 76105
High School Guidance Counselor:	Rose Jones
High School Contact Phone #	817-815-3400
GPA:	4.0
Class Rank:	5
Graduation Date:	May, 2021
College Name:	Norfolk State University
Intended Major/Field of Study:	Fashion Design
Church Name/Pastor (if member):	Christ Lifter's Community of Faith/ Montreal Dukes

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Community Service and/or Extra Curricular Activities (if any):

### Extra-Curricular Activities

Executive Administrator for Norfolk State University Class of 2025 Student Government Association (2021-present)  
Chair of Student Activities for Norfolk State University Honors College (2021-Present)  
NAACP Member, Norfolk State University Chapter (2021-Present)  
Norfolk State University Guild of Fine Arts Member (2021-present)  
Youth Art Teacher (2019-2021)  
Starting Guard for YMLA Varsity Basketball Team (2017-2021)  
Alpha Beautillion Mentee and Participant (2016-2021)

### Volunteering

Norfolk State University Honors College youth tutoring for MLK Day  
Trinity River Adopt-A-River Clean Up (2021)  
The PREP Factory, College & Career Readiness, 200 hours (2017-present)  
Christ Lifters Community of Faith - Youth Usher/Media/Choir Ministries, 2014-2020, 100 hrs  
Jet Relays Soul Festival Annual HBCU Track Meet, 2018-2020  
Time Management & Goal-Setting Workshop  
Lunch Box of Love Food & Pillow Drive for homeless citizens  
Student Panelist, The SAT Conversation  
Dream Performance Fitness - 13th Warrior Program, Youth Mentor & Speaker  
Homes 4 Children Foster Youth Services - warehouse move volunteer  
COVID-19 Food Drive (12)  
Mentor & Tutor, YMLA Middle School (9-12)  
Mentor, Eastside Boys & Girls Club (11-12)  
Community Car Wash (11)  
Epsilon Pi Fraternity Youth Mentee, 2017-present, 24 hrs  
Monthly Leadership Meetings "For the Woo" Annual Golf Tournament, volunteer  
Basketball Tutor, Spyda's World Academy, Skill Development (11-12)  
Youth Art Tutor (11-12)  
Leadership Team, FWISD "SOAR: Students Organized for Anti-Racism," Conference (11)  
YMLA Varsity Basketball - Guard (10-12)  
United Voices 4 Change "INOK" Member (10-12)  
Morning Assembly Host (10-12)  
Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc, Beta Tau Lambda Chp., 2015-present, 100 hrs  
Alpha Academy/Alpha Beautillion Mentoring Programs  
2021 Alpha Beau (12) Alpha Junior Beau (11) Alpha Academy Member (7-10)

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Honors and Awards (if any):

CEO/ Creative Director of LongLive Uno Fashion Brand (2019-present)  
Associate Designer/ Model for Resurrection of a Revolution Fashion Show (Dec. 2021)  
Featured Artist at the Norfolk NEON Art Festival (Oct. 2021)  
Gucci Changemaker (June 2021)  
Krave Magazine Featured Model (May 2021)  
NBC 5 Scholar-Athlete of the Month (April 2021)  
FWISD Basketball All-District Honorable Mention (March 2021)  
Founder of YMLA Photography Club (2019-2021)  
YMLA Conventus Student Leadership Planning Committee Member (2019-2021)  
National Honor Society 2018 Inductee, YMLA Chapter (2018-2021)  
President of National Honors Society, YMLA Chapter (2018-2020)  
Head of Public Affairs for YMLA Student Council (2017-2021)  
Guest Speaker at Vision Hybrid Learning Center Young Entrepreneurship Program (2020)  
Featured Artist at Fort Worth Main Street Art Festival (2016-2019)  
Voted Most Artistic at YMLA Honors Ceremony (2018)  
Ann Brannon Award for Art (2018)

Please list below the names and amounts of any grants or scholarships you have been awarded for the coming school year:  
Name of Award:                      Amount:                      Granted/Pending:

Fort Worth Abroad Scholarship \$1,250 Pending

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Please share your educational and career goals/aspirations and how you plan to move toward greatness:

I am Akin White, a 21st Century Renaissance man. Why? Well, I am an artist, scholar, athlete, orator, and social entrepreneur. But, at my core, I am a dreamer. As a child, I remember envisioning myself having superpowers like my favorite comic book characters. Although over the years, my ambitions have become more realistic, they are lofty nonetheless. My greatest aspiration is to grow my high-end streetwear brand, LongLive Uno LLC (LLU for short), into a highly-acclaimed fashion house. My plan to achieve this begins by earning my degree in Fashion Design at Norfolk State University in Spring 2025.

Graduating with a degree in fashion design will be the first of many milestones that will ensure my success as a top-performing fashion designer. I vividly recall watching my father sketch designs for his firm's architecture projects at four years old. I also remember excitedly grabbing printer paper to use to draw random objects I saw around the house. Little did I know that those were my first steps to finding my talent and love for visual arts that would become the motivation for my fashion design career.

My freshman year at Norfolk State was imperative in fine-tuning my fashion design skills and enhancing my education. While I understand that a college degree is not necessarily required to run a fashion brand, college was designed so that I can experiment and expand my knowledge about the industry while providing a safeguard for launching my career. Thus far, I have fully embraced my college educational experience by maintaining a 3.8 GPA, creative directing a fashion show, modeling, and designing for another. Furthermore, in the near future, I plan to secure competitive internship opportunities at well-known fashion houses and study abroad while building a professional network of peers, professors, other fashion industry professionals, and entrepreneurs.

While completing my undergraduate studies, I will continue developing LLU, working to make it a household name among youth by the time I graduate. Furthermore, my fashion career will be my primary income source, combining my two passions: making art and giving hope. As a social entrepreneur who has overcome depression, I plan to use my platform to raise awareness and give young people useful tools to combat it. Depression is a universal issue, and God gave me LLU to serve as a movement with which anyone can identify. Using my fashion career will allow me to serve my community significantly. To date, LLU has been featured in fashion shows, shared with groups of aspiring young entrepreneurs, and even on a podcast highlighting rising young phenoms. These opportunities have fueled my desire to make a global impact for His glory.

With this in mind, receiving the Christian Long Scholarship would assist tremendously in propelling my career goals. It helps eradicate the overwhelming pressure to pay for school, thus allowing me to focus on my educational and career goals.

