

## Form Summary

Name	Calvin Bell III
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Birth date	11/07/2001
Age	19
Please Check All that Apply:	African American/Black
High School:	Moorestown Friends School
High School Mailing Address:	110 E Main Street, Moorestown, NJ 08057
High School Guidance Counselor:	Mr. Keith Vassall
High School Contact Phone #	856-235-2900
GPA:	3.8
Class Rank:	N/A (We did not do class rank)
Graduation Date:	June 6, 2020
College Name:	Morehouse College (Rising Sophomore)
Intended Major/Field of Study:	Political Science & Computer Science
Church Name/Pastor (if member):	Parkside United Methodist Church/Pastor Keith D. Dickens
Community Service and/or Extra Curricular Activities (if any):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- 2021 John Locke Institute Essay Competition First-Line Grader</li><li>- Think Tanks and Civil Societies Program (TTCSP) Summer Research Intern</li><li>- Google Brand Ambassador</li><li>- Co-Founded of The Tulsa Project</li><li>- Anti-Racism and Social Justice Committee</li><li>- Parkside United Methodist Church Council Member and Media Team Member</li><li>- Dean Moon's First-Year Council</li><li>- Freshman Representative for Oxford Men of Color (OxMOC)</li><li>- Office Program and Supports Lead for the Diversity and Inclusion Office</li><li>- Students for Prison Education, Activism, and Resistance (SPEAR) Executive Board Member</li><li>- First-Year Senator for Oxford-Emory Student Government Association</li></ul>

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Honors and Awards (if any):

- Alpha Epsilon Upsilon Honors Society
- Phi Eta Sigma Honors Society
- Tarbutton Leadership Fellows Program
- Pierce Leadership Certificate Program
- Dean's List
- The Princeton Prize in Race Relations
- Scholastic Art and Writing Gold Key Recipient
- The Yale Bassett Award for Community Engagement
- National Merit Scholarship Commended Scholar
- Governor's Award Recipient
- NAACP ACT-SO National Competition Gold Medalist
- John Locke Institute Distinction Recipient

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:

2021 Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. Rho Chapter Scholar - \$1,000 - Pending  
Bristol-Myers Squibb BOLD Scholarship - \$2,000 - Granted  
Congressional Black Caucus Foundation Scholarship - \$2,500 - Pending

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

I am the product of a single-parent household where I grew up with multiple female influences from my mother to grandmother. I did not have much of a male influence since my father was in and out of the carceral system, but I realized that much of that was due to a lack of opportunities offered for him to succeed. Throughout elementary and middle school, I committed myself to my work despite the challenges I faced outside of school. Attending a public school in the City of Camden showed me the lack of equitable resources provided to institutions of color. I continued to work hard in middle school, and when my guidance counselor introduced me to Moorestown Friends School, I knew that it was the school for me because it would provide resources that I had never been offered before.

For me to attend Moorestown Friends School, I received a scholarship and pushed myself to prove others wrong about the stereotypes against Black students. I was extremely fortunate to be given the resources that I received at my school. However, the opportunities that my school offered made me feel guilty and disappointed that my other friends who worked as hard as I did were not able to access similar resources at their schools. It was not because of what they could offer, but it was clearly due to a lack of funds that America allocates to urban schools compared to wealthy school districts.

Now as an activist and abolitionist, I have thoroughly involved myself in political outreach and organizing, including my internship in Senator Cory Booker's office. I took advantage of the opportunity to connect with his constituents and assess their cases related to the criminal justice system and veteran affairs. Through my conversations with Senator Booker's constituents, I was able to grasp a sense of their stories and backgrounds that led them to call our office. Ultimately, that experience of helping others in need has pushed me to go into the public sector and change traditional political structures. I want to merge my passion for politics and social activism with my love of computer science

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to create technological jobs and resources for communities of color. We are moving towards a progressive technological space where students are learning through Zoom and social media is turning into a wide-spreading news space. Through innovation, creativity, and certainly funding, I want to ensure that Black and Brown people are not only in these spaces but can have opportunities so they won't have to worry about their next meal or getting an education as I did at times.

My academic education can push me to get to a place where my activism has no limits and my dreams can help others achieve their dreams. My passions have always come from shared experience and empathy for issues that people experience around me, however, I continuously push myself to achieve my goals because I know that I have a community that is relying on me. As I transfer from Emory University to Morehouse College, I will continue to stay involved and be a meaningful leader on campus and surely the Christian Long Scholarship can make that difference within my life.