

Copy of Aug 25, 1927 letter to Mr. Lionel Artis of Colored YMCA from Butler's President Aley confirming the school's quota policy limiting the number of Black student to 10 per year

"It [Butler] was the 1<sup>st</sup> institution in the world of colleges to opened its doors to females on exactly equal terms of that offered males. It has stood since its inception for the broadest culture to all who has desired it. There has been no discrimination against any on account of sex or race."

-- Hyman Handbook of Indianapolis 1907 p. 202

Aug. 25, '27

Mr. Lionel F. Artis  
Assistant Secretary  
Colored Men's Branch  
Young Men's Christian Assn.  
Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Mr. Artis:

The Board of Directors of Butler University has limited to ten (10) the number of colored students who may hereafter enter the institution annually beginning with the year 1927-'28. All colored students already enrolled may continue in the institution until the completion of their college course unless dropped because of poor work or excluded as a matter of college discipline.

The above regulation does not apply to colored students desiring to enter the College of Religion or to those desiring to take work in courses for teachers given at Shortridge High School by Butler professors.

After this year the selection of colored students will be based upon a general examination reinforced by the preparatory school record, recommendations as to character, and general physical fitness. This year we are depending very largely upon the preparatory school record. There is at present room for one more colored student for the entering class of this year.

Very truly yours,

RJL:MH

President.

August 25, 1927

Mr. Lionel Artis  
Colored Men's Branch  
Indianapolis YMCA

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The regulation does not apply to the School of Religion or to Butler teaching courses taught at Shortridge.

After this year selection will be based on a general exam reinforced by high school records, recommendations as to character, and physical fitness. There is room for one more student entering the class of this year.

Very truly yours,  
Robert J. Aley  
President

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