



2023 Scholarship Application Guidelines Metropolitan (DC) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated

The Metropolitan (DC) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated was organized in 1979 to provide service to Washington, D.C., and the Metropolitan area. Our scholarship program provides scholarship opportunities and mentoring support to local African American college students entering their third or fourth year. The awardees should demonstrate academic achievement, possess higher education goals, and have a record of community service.

Eligibility:

- Rising junior or senior college student attending an accredited HBCU college/university
- Must be a graduate of a District of Columbia, Maryland, or Virginia High School (limited to Montgomery, Prince Georges, Arlington, or Alexandria Counties)
- Demonstrated academic achievement and community engagement

Deadline:

The complete application package must be received by **March 15, 2023 by 11:59 p.m.** Packages submitted after the deadline will not be accepted. The complete application must be submitted electronically to Scholarship@metroclinks.org.

Awards:

Scholarship award in the amount of \$5,000.00 for each awardee will be sent directly to the scholarship awardee's school account to meet college/university expenses. (\$2,500 per semester)

Application Submission:

1. **Application Form**, signed.

2. **Transcript**

Please provide the latest transcript from your school's Registrar's Office. An unofficial copy is acceptable with submission; however, an official transcript is required prior to awarding funds.

3. **Two letters of recommendation** (one must be from a professor/faculty member)

The letters of recommendation should address academic excellence, leadership skills, and community engagement. Your references should send their letter directly to Scholarship@metroclinks.org.

4. **Essay**

Submit a statement regarding your goals and community service. The essay limit is 400 words.

5. **Financial Statement**

A statement of financial need from the Financial Aid Office will be required. This statement from the Financial Aid Office must state your Expected Family Contribution (EFC).

The scholarship awardees will be selected based on quality of essay submission, overall academic excellence, and evidence of community service.

Note: Submitted documents must have all sensitive information (e.g., social security numbers) removed (i.e., blackened out, made illegible, etc.) prior to submission.

Point of Contact: Please email questions to Scholarship@metroclinks.org.