



Tacoma (WA) Links 2019 Scholarship Application

Deadline: January 19, 2019

If you have any questions, please contact
Mrs. Dorothy Williams, Co-Chairman, Scholarship Committee
(253) 405-5201

Eligibility Requirements

1. Applicant must be a *U.S. citizen* of African descent pursuing an undergraduate degree or technical training at an accredited technical college.
2. Applicant must be graduating from high school, continuing his/her educational training, or be attending a college or university in the United States in the fall following high school graduation.
3. Applicant must reside in the greater Puget Sound area including but not limited to Pierce County, Federal Way, Olympia, and Kitsap County.
4. Applicant must be registered at an educational institution on a full-time basis as defined by the institution.
5. Applicant must have a Cumulative Grade Point Average of 2.7 or higher.
6. Applications must be typed. Handwritten applications will not be accepted and will disqualify the applicant.

Application Requirements

1. The Application, three (3) letters of recommendation and Photo must be emailed to TacomaLinksScholarships@gmail.com by no later than midnight **January 19, 2019**.
Two of the three letters must be completed by a teacher, counselor or principal.
 2. Applicant's first and last name should appear in the subject line of the email, e.g., **Ann Smith**. Application; **Ann Smith**, Letter of Recommendation; **Ann Smith**, Transcript.
 3. Applicant must request the school registrar email a copy of his or her official transcript to TacomaLinksScholarships@gmail.com by **January 19, 2019**.
 4. Writing Samples- Two writing samples are required.
 - a. Write a **paragraph** of not more than 250 words on the topic: "Why this Scholarship is Important to Me."
 - b. Write an **essay** of not more than 1000 words on **one** of the following topics:
 - What is the impact of social media on your generation's mental health and self- esteem?
or
 - What do you think is the most critical political issue facing America today?
or
 - Why do you Think it is Important to Vote?
- Use your own words. If you conduct research, include a bibliography if appropriate. Type your writing sample in 12-point font, double spaced in Times New Roman or Ariel font.
5. Photograph: Applicant must provide a 3x5 or 4x6 frontal facial photograph, e.g. school photo. Please be sure your photograph is clear and appropriate for reproducing in the program booklet featuring scholarship recipients.
 6. The scholarship committee may request applicant interviews.
 7. Incomplete applications will result in an applicant's disqualification.



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Scholarship Application

All application materials must be typed. Answer all the questions.

1. Name: _____
First **Middle** **Last**

2. Address: _____
Number **Street**

City **State** **Zip Code**
3. Phone: **Home** _____ **Cell** _____ **Other** _____

4. E-mail Address: _____

5. Date of Birth: _____ / _____ / _____

6. Ethnicity: _____

7. Gender: Male _____ Female _____

8. U.S. Citizen: Yes _____ No _____

9. Name of Father/Guardian: _____ Occupation _____

10. Address of Father/Guardian: _____

11. Father/Guardian's Phone:
 Home _____ Work _____ Other _____

12. Name of Mother/Guardian: _____ Occupation _____

13. Address of Mother/Guardian: _____

14. Mother/Guardian's Phone:
 Home _____ Work _____ Other _____

Financial Data

1. My household, including me, consists of _____ individuals. I have _____ siblings.

2. The Gross annual income (before taxes) for my household is:

\$15,000 to \$40,000 _____ \$80,000 to \$150,000 _____

\$40,000 to \$80,000 _____ More than \$150,000 _____

3. List scholarship awards you have received. _____

Academic Data

1. High School Attending _____ Graduation Date _____
GPA _____

2. Do you plan to attend a college or university? _____ Major field of study _____

3. If you are currently attending college, indicate the name and location of your school.

Major _____ Minor _____ Graduation Date _____ GPA _____

4. List academic and other special awards or honors received.

5. List extracurricular activities and community/church involvement.

6. List leadership positions held.

7. Applications for college admission have been submitted to:

Pledge

I pledge that the information submitted in this application is true and correct. I realize I may be disqualified if any portion is incomplete, inaccurate or false.

I pledge to adhere to the requirements and expectations as a recipient of The Tacoma (WA) Links scholarship.

I agree that the Tacoma (WA) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated may use my photograph in a program booklet or video presentation during the awards program and/or for other marketing purposes.

Student: By typing your Full Name below, you pledge that all information contained herein is true and accurate and constitutes an official signature.

Parent/Guardian: Your full name typed below constitutes an official Parent/Guardian signature.

Student's Full Name: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian's Full Name: _____

Date: _____



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Scholarship Application Checklist

To Applicants:

Use the following checklist to ensure you have completed all requirements for your application. Please be sure you are able to check off each item before submitting your application.

- _____ 1. All sections of the application have been completed. Nothing is left blank.
- _____ 2. Pledge is signed by both parent and student (handwritten or electronic Signature is accepted).
- _____ 3. Your name is on your essay.
- _____ 4. Your essay has a title.
- _____ 5. An appropriate photo accompanies the application, such as a school yearbook photo or head shot.
- _____ 6. Your official transcript is e-mailed to TacomaLinksScholarships@gmail.com by the registrar at your school by **January 19, 2019**.