

THE EDUCATION FOUNDATION of BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

EDUCATION FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP FUND SCHOLARSHIP FUND APPLICATION GUIDELINES

Read carefully to fully understand guidelines and expectations

Purpose:	The Education Foundation of Baltimore County Public Schools, Inc. was created to support all students and their families. The Foundation works with generous philanthropic donors to encourage BCPS students to further their education and become lifelong learners.
Award Range:	\$1000.00 – Two (2) \$1,000.00 scholarships will be awarded to every comprehensive high school in Baltimore County.
Scholarship Focus:	The focus for the 2016-2017 school year will be on the following areas of <i>BCPS Blueprint 2.0</i> : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business, Economic, Entrepreneurial, and Financial Literacy (BEEF) • Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM)
Eligibility and Qualifications:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be a current senior in a Baltimore County Public School • A minimum unweighted grade point average of 3.0 or higher—provide a transcript and SAT/ACT Scores • Provide verification of acceptance to an accredited two- or four-year college or technical school. • Complete the Scholarship Fund Application and personally write the Scholarship Application Essay. • Must be a United States citizen or permanent resident
Scholarship Application Essay:	The Scholarship Application Essay must be typed, double-spaced, and in 12 point font. The Scholarship Application Essay should reflect either of the two scholarship focus areas as identified above and contain up to 500 words. Essay question: If you were to major in “BEEF” or” STEM” how would you leverage your degree to improve your community?
Letters of Recommendation:	Two letters of recommendation are required. One letter being a <i>character reference</i> and one letter being an <i>academic reference</i> .
Application Submission and Deadline:	Application must be delivered to your high school counselor on or before Friday, March 31, 2017. Late applications will not be accepted. If deadline is extended for any reason, it will be the decision of The Education Foundation of BCPS, Inc.
Notification of Recipients:	Scholarship recipients will be notified before the individual school’s award ceremony.
Date for Awarding Funds:	Scholarships will be awarded at individual school’s awards ceremony at the end of the school year. Each recipient will receive a congratulatory letter and letter to present to the college/university. Upon receipt of this letter DO NOT DISCARD .
Application Review Process:	Two scholarships will be awarded to every comprehensive high school. The competitive selection process will be based on your essay, academic performance (high school transcript and SAT/ACT Scores), resume (including service), and 2 letters of reference (character and academic). The selection committee will weight all criteria – but will place more weight on the essay. Those students who offer new applications of their learning that add value to the human experience will be given special consideration. The application will be reviewed by the Education Foundation Scholarships and Allocations Committee or a designated subcommittee using a blind review process. Recipients will be selected and recommended to the Foundation Board who will make the final decision.
Checklist for Submitting Application:	<input type="checkbox"/> Completed application <input type="checkbox"/> Attached transcript and SAT/ACT Scores with an unweighted GPA of 3.0 or higher <input type="checkbox"/> Attached a well written essay (typed, double spaced and in 12 font) <input type="checkbox"/> Attached your student resume <input type="checkbox"/> Attached two letters of recommendation – one a character reference and one an academic reference

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Applicant's Name, Name of High School with Address and Numbers:

Last: _____ First: _____ Middle: _____

Name of High School: _____ Grade: _____ Age: _____

Street: _____ City/State: _____ Zip: _____

Principal's Name: _____

School Counselor's Name: _____

Home Phone Number: _____ Mobile Phone Number: _____

College(s) or Technical School(s) you have applied and status:

_____	Decision: _____
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_____	Decision: _____
_____	Decision: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s), Address, and Numbers:

Last: _____ First: _____ Middle: _____

Street: _____ City/State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone Number: _____ Mobile Phone Number: _____

Last: _____ First: _____ Middle: _____

Street: _____ City/State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone Number: _____ Mobile Phone Number: _____

Note: It is important the information is accurate and legible. All responses **must be** typed, double-spaced and in 12 point font. Consideration will be based entirely on this scholarship application.

I accept the guidelines of this scholarship application and understand that the decision of the Foundation is final. I understand that upon the receipt of the named scholarship; if eligible, I must maintain my eligibility and meet the qualification as stated above. I certify that the information provided is correct and all requested information is attached.

Applicant's Name: _____ Date: _____
(Printed) (Signature)

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____ Date: _____
(Printed) (Signature)

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____ Date: _____
(Printed) (Signature)

The Foundation reserves the right to refuse to award a scholarship to any child if the Foundation feels that awarding the scholarship will reflect poorly on the Foundation, Baltimore County Public School, or of the donor.

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