

April 2014 Scholarships

Scholarship Name: The 2014 Doty E. Nash Educational Assistance Scholarship

Website: <http://www.kingdavid100.com/educationalscholarship.htm>

Scholarship Description: The brothers of King David Lodge #100, a subordinate lodge of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, State of Illinois and its Jurisdiction, are proud to announce its first annual Doty E. Nash Educational Assistance Scholarship. Doty E. Nash was a member of King David Lodge #100, where he served as Worshipful Master (President) in 1959. Because of his numerous professional and personal accomplishments, the title of Honorary Past Grand Master was bestowed upon him, one of the highest honors a Master Mason can receive. The objective of this Educational Assistance Fund is to provide financial support to incoming college freshman who exhibit a diligent commitment to fulfill life's goals through education.

Scholarship Award Amount: \$1,000

Renewable: No

Scholarship Qualifications: Be a graduating senior at a Chicago or suburban public or private high school.

Required Documentation: Submit official high school transcripts

- Submit ACT / SAT Scores
- Complete an Application Profile (see application)
- Submit a typewritten argumentative essay (450 to 500 words maximum) on the given topic
- Supply three (3) letters of recommendation. The letters of recommendation shall attest to the applicant's character and commitment to higher education
- Submit an official acceptance letter from an accredited college or university

Open to DREAMers: Unknown

Scholarship Deadline: April 1, 2014

Scholarship Name: AKArma Foundation, Inc. Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority

Website: <http://thetaomega.com/theta-omega-foundation/>

Scholarship Description: Scholarship awarded to qualified minority high school student. Additional Requirements: Must be a minority; Chicago resident; ACT 18 or above.

Scholarship Award Amount: \$500 - \$3,000

Renewable: Varies

Scholarship Qualifications: Must be a 2013 graduating senior attending a Chicago Metropolitan Area High School planning to attend an accredited four-year college or university in the summer or fall of 2013. Must have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale. Must show proof of acceptance to and enrollment in an accredited four-year college or university before the scholarship is awarded.

Required Documentation: Completed application form

- Two (2) copies of typed essay on given topic
- Two (2) letters of recommendation
- Official sealed high school transcript with raised seal

Open to DREAMers: Yes

Scholarship Deadline: This scholarship's has an April deadline. Please check website in the spring for updated information.

Scholarship Name: Chicago Engineers Foundation

Website: <http://chicagoengineersfoundation.org/>

Scholarship Description: To encourage the study of Engineering, the Chicago Engineers' Foundation of the Union League Club offers incentive awards of \$800 to year 2013 Chicago high school graduating seniors who have been admitted to an engineering program at an accredited college of engineering, and who intend to enroll in the Fall of 2013. Last year, incentive awards were made to over 30 graduating senior students from over 15 high schools in the City of Chicago. This award is renewable, throughout the student's four years of college, provided that the student remains in good standing in an engineering program. Students may receive about \$5,000 in incentive awards during their college careers.

Scholarship Award Amount: \$800

Renewable: Yes

Number of Years Renewable: 4

Scholarship Qualifications:

- Graduating senior in high school in the city of Chicago
- Accepted to 4 year accredited engineering school
- Minimum ACT score of 21 (or SAT equivalent)
- Brief statement of goals
- Endorsement of Guidance Counselor
- Social Security Number (at time of receipt of award)

Required Documentation: Complete Application, copy of letter of acceptance to an accredited four-year college/university engineering program, high school transcript, Expected Family Contribution (EFC) from 2014-2015 FAFSA. For a complete list, visit the CEF website.

Open to DREAMers: Only those who have completed the Deferred Action process (also known as DACA) and have obtained a SSN are eligible to apply

Scholarship Deadline: April 24, 2014

Scholarship Name: Coalition of Black Trade Unionists Scholarship

Website: <http://cbtu.org/>

Scholarship Description: Each year CBTU awards ten scholarships to high school and college students in the names of two men who exemplified union activism and a thirst for knowledge.

Scholarship Award Amount: \$2,000

Renewable: Varies

Scholarship Qualifications: Must have written evidence of acceptance and or attendance at an accredited college/university. College student must have a “C” average GPA among other criteria. This will be a determining factor in the selection process. Among other requirements, students must submit a typewritten essay on “Why Should Young People Get Involved in Politics?” of no less than 300 words. Application forms and more scholarship information are available from CBTU’s national office. Write: CBTU Office, P.O. Box 66268, Washington, DC 20035-6268.

Required Documentation: Undergraduate scholarship application

- An official copy of SAT or ACT scores
- Official school transcript and a photograph
- Three letters of recommendation from people other than relatives, dated and addressed to the CBTU Scholarship Committee

Open to DREAMers: Unknown

Scholarship Deadline: This scholarship’s application is due the first week of April. Check the website for details.

Scholarship Name: Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute Scholarship Program

Website: <http://www.chci.org/scholarships/>

Application: Will become available in September

Scholarship Description: The Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute scholarship opportunities are afforded to Latino students in the United States who have a history of performing public service-oriented activities in their communities and who demonstrate a desire to continue their civic engagement in the future. There is no Grade Point Average (GPA) or academic major requirement. Apply if you consider yourself to be a student with excellent leadership potential.

Scholarship Award Amount: \$1,000; 2,500; \$5,000 (Varies depending on degree obtained)

Renewable: No

Scholarship Qualifications: Full-time enrollment in a United States Department of Education accredited community college, four-year university, or graduate/professional program during the period for which scholarship is requested

- Demonstrated financial need
- Consistent, active participation in public and/or community service activities
- Strong writing skills
- U.S. citizenship or legal permanent residency

Required Documentation: Application with supplemental materials (please check the website for updated information).

Open to DREAMers: No

Scholarship Deadline: April 16, 2014

Scholarship Name: Darius A. Felton Scholarship

Website: <http://daffoundation.8m.com/>

Scholarship Description: Darius A. Felton was a young man that was courageous, compassionate and free spirited. His captivating smile and vibrant personality was adored by many. On his 15th birthday of August 2002, Darius was the victim of a violent murder in his community. For this reason we believe that if we change lives today, it will make a different tomorrow for a lot of children that live in our communities. Because of his unconditional love, we as his family wanted to keep a part of him alive and continue to share Darius A. Felton with the world. Additional Requirements: Must be Chicago resident.

Scholarship Award Amount: \$500/4 awards

Renewable: No

Scholarship Qualifications: This scholarship is for Chicago Public Schools (CPS) high school seniors who have a minimum 2.5 GPA. To qualify for this scholarship applicants must have been accepted to and attend college in the upcoming fall semester. Applicants must show proof of acceptance to their selected college or university. To apply for this scholarship, applicants must write an essay of no more than 500 words on one of three given topics.

Required Documentation: Application and required documentations. Check website for updates.

Open to DREAMers: Unknown

Scholarship Deadline: April 30, 2014

The Dora Gerlach Memorial Scholarship

Website: <http://afeatherinthewind.org/AFITW%20Scholarship%20Fund.html> or
www.chooseyourfuture.org/scholarships

Scholarship Description: “A Feather in the Wind” is a scholarship program for CPS students.

Scholarship Award Amount: \$500

Renewable: No

Scholarship Qualifications: Must have a GPA of at least 3.5 and have been accepted to an accredited college/ university.

Required Documentation: Completed application-- includes two essay questions. Each essay cannot exceed 1,000 words.

Open to DREAMers: Unknown

Scholarship Deadline: April 30, 2014

Scholarship Name: Edward G. Irvin Scholarship

Website: <http://www.chicagoalumni.org/index.php/programs/egif-scholarship>

Scholarship Description: The Edward G. Irvin scholarship is provided through the Kappa Alpha Psi foundation. It is awarded to graduating male high school seniors and designed to supplement some of the student's extra collegiate expenses (i.e. books and fees). The award is given annually to deserving high school students throughout the United States.

Scholarship Award Amount: \$5,000 total for four years (\$1,250 per year)

Renewable: Yes

Number of Years Renewable: 4

Scholarship Qualifications: Graduating high school male of African-American descent;

- Minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale);
- Completion of ACT and/or SAT standard exam; and
- Active participation in extracurricular activities and/or community service programs

Required Documentation: Completed application

- Two letters of recommendation
- 300-word autobiography
- Official transcript
- All other documentation as outlined on scholarship application

Open to DREAMers: No

Scholarship Deadline: April 1, 2014

Scholarship Name: Karen Lynne Harris Memorial Scholarship

Website: <http://zetazetaonline.org/karen-lynne-harris-memorial-scholarship/>

Scholarship Description: The Zeta Zeta Chapter is proud to sponsor and award an annual scholarship dedicated to the memory of our Triumphant Soror Karen Lynne Harris. In her memory, Zeta Zeta Chapter awards annually a college scholarship to a female high school senior who holds a high standard for academics.

Scholarship Award Amount: Varies

Renewable: No

Scholarship Qualifications: Female high school student graduating at the end of the 2013-2014 academic year Resident of the Chicago land area (Chicago and its surrounding suburbs) Has a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or better

Required Documentation:

1. Personal Statement – Your personal statement should be limited to 2 pages, typed, double spaced, Arial font size 12. Your personal statement shall reflect your thoughts regarding education, the state of the world today, why you should be selected to receive a scholarship and how you will make an impact on society.
2. Recommendation letters – Two letters of recommendation that may come from a teacher or counselor, other professional adult (not a family member), or (preferred not required) an active member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated.
3. Copy of Official High School Transcript
4. Copy of Intended College Acceptance Letter
5. Essays must be 5 pages in length, typed, double spaced, 1 inch margins, Arial 12 point font, one sided, with footnotes and a bibliography. The 5 pages do not include the cover page.
6. Completed application.

Open to DREAMers: Unknown

Scholarship Deadline: April 30, 2014

Scholarship Name: NAAIA Chicago Scholarship

Website: <http://www.naaichicago.org/>

Scholarship Description: The National African-American Insurance Association (NAAIA) Chicago was founded on the principal need to positively exploit the talent pool of and business opportunities for African Americans. Working with the national organization, NAAIA Chicago builds alliances with insurance industry trade associations as well as those that represent the interests of minorities in this industry.

Scholarship Award Amount: \$1,000

Renewable: No

Scholarship Qualifications: High School Senior attending CPS; No GPA requirement

Required Documentation: ACT scores

Three Recommendations

Essay: Why do you deserve this scholarship?

Acceptance letter from college/university attending

Open to DREAMers: Yes

Scholarship Deadline: April 1, 2014

Scholarship Name: National Merit Scholarship Program

Website: <http://www.nationalmerit.org/nmsp.php#entryreq>

Scholarship Description: High school juniors enter the National Merit Program by taking the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT). If your school does not administer this test, talk to your counselor. Of the 1.5 million entrants, some 50,000 with the highest PSAT/NMSQT® Selection Index scores (critical reading + mathematics + writing skills scores) qualify for recognition in the National Merit® Scholarship Program. In April following the fall test administration, high-scoring participants from every state are invited to name two colleges or universities to which they would like to be referred by NMSC. In early September, about 16,000 students, or approximately one-third of the 50,000 high scorers, are notified that they have qualified as Semifinalists. In February, some 15,000 Semifinalists are notified by mail at their home addresses that they have advanced to Finalist standing. High school principals are notified and provided with a certificate to present to each Finalist.

Scholarship Award Amount: \$2,500

Renewable: No

Scholarship Qualifications: Be enrolled as a high school student, progressing normally toward graduation or completion of high school

by 2013, and planning to enter college no later than the fall of 2014

- Be a citizen of the United States; or be a U.S. lawful permanent resident
- Take the 2013 PSAT/NMSQT in the specified year of the high school program and no later than the third year in grades 9-12, regardless of grade classification or educational pattern

Required Documentation: Completion of the 2013 PSAT/NMSQT

Open to DREAMers: No

Scholarship Deadline: April 2014. Your PSAT/NMSQT results are automatically submitted and reviewed for eligible scholarships.

Scholarship Name: National Organization of Black Law Enforcement

Website: <http://www.noblenational.org/communityoutreach/noblescholarships.html>

Scholarship Description: NOBLE is committed to equity in matters related to law enforcement, its mission to ensure equity in the administration of justice, and its unyielding commitment to work towards the elimination of racism and bias of any type within the law enforcement field. This includes a commitment to equal treatment in the administration of justice and within the law enforcement field for all people, regardless of sexual orientation or gender expression. If you have any questions, please contact the NOBLE National Office at (703) 658-1529 or e-mail Wilmae Leach at wleach@noblenatl.org

Scholarship Award Amount: \$1,000 (Charles L. Gittens Scholarship); \$1,000 (Larry Bolden Scholarship) \$3,500 (Irlet Anderson Scholarship)

Renewable: No

Scholarship Qualifications: Must be pursuing a degree in any of the Social Sciences, including technology, forensic investigations, and other criminal investigative studies, to further a career in law enforcement or criminal justice.

Open to DREAMers: Unknown

Scholarship Deadline: April 15, 2014

Scholarship Name: Society of Women Engineers Chicago Regional Section Scholarship

Website: <http://www.swe.org/chicago/>

Application: Will become available online February 2014

Scholarship Description: Scholarships are awarded to graduating high school female students accepted into an engineering or computer science program at an accredited college or university.

Scholarship Award Amount: \$1,500

Renewable: No

Scholarship Qualifications: Applicant must be a female

- The applicant's home must be in a zip code with these three numbers as the first three digits: IL 600-608, 610-611, and 613; IN 463-466
- The applicant must be a freshman, re-entry or transfer student accepted into an engineering or computer science program at an accredited college or university for the Fall 2014 semester
- The applicant's grade point average must be a 3.0 or above on a 4.0 scale

Required Documentation: Completed application; Official transcript; Letter of recommendation from a non-relative; One-page essay

Open to DREAMers: Unknown

Scholarship Deadline: April 10, 2014