



BLACK HERITAGE SOCIETY OF WASHINGTON STATE, INC.
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LETTER OF INFORMATION

TO: WASHINGTON STATE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

The Black Heritage Society of Washington State (BHS) is offering a \$2000 scholarship to a student who identifies as African American and who is presently in their senior year of high school in one of the Public School Districts in the State of Washington.

Implicit in the BHS Mission is to contribute to the Washington State communities by helping African American high school youths continue their education. The Founders Scholarship Fund has been established to help with college expenses.

APPLICATION PERIOD 2023

Open: February 1, 2023 Deadline: April 30, 2023

-Eligibility is as follows:

- ✓ Applicants must be a high school senior who identifies as African American attending a high school within one of the (Washington State) Public School Districts.
- ✓ Applicants must be enrolled at the specific High School from which they will graduate.
- ✓ Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 GPA at the time of graduation.
- ✓ Applicants must be accepted for entry into a two- or four-year college or university at the time of receipt of the BHS Scholarship in June of their graduating year.
- ✓ Applicants must complete the two-page questionnaire provided, which includes a short essay of approximately 200 words.

All applications with **2** Letters of Recommendation, a Letter of College/University Acceptance, and the most recent high school transcript should be returned to BHS email or to the BHS P. O. Box postmarked by April 30. (*see addresses below). After receipt and review, BHS will select the top three candidates from among the applicants based upon the eligibility criteria. The finalists will be invited to interview with BHS during May. The top candidate will be selected and awarded the Founders Scholarship at the BHS meeting in June.

Return to:

*Email at: blackheritagesocietywa@gmail.com Subject Line: BHS Founders Scholarship

*Mail to: Black Heritage Society of Washington State, Inc. Attention: Founders Scholarship
P. O. Box 28647 Seattle, WA 98118

Thank you in advance for your participation in this process. Best of luck to you!

On behalf of the BHS Board of Directors,

Stephanie Johnson Toliver

President

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NAME: _____
(LAST) (FIRST) (MI)

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ HIGH SCHOOL: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN'S
NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION DATE: _____

COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY YOU PLAN TO ATTEND: _____

HAVE YOU RECEIVED A LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE YES ___ NO ___ WAITING ___

INTENDED FIELD OF STUDY: _____

In addition to this completed 2-page application, please return:

- Two Letters of Recommendation (1 from a teacher + 1 from a non-relative)
- Most recent High School transcript including your GPA
- Copy of your Letter of College/University Acceptance

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- 1. PLEASE LIST ANY SCHOOL AWARDS AND/OR SPECIAL RECOGNITION YOU HAVE RECEIVED DURING YOUR SCHOOL YEARS.**

- 2. PLEASE LIST EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES, PUBLIC SERVICE, COMMUNITY PROJECTS (INCLUDE NAMES OF ORGANIZATIONS) AND AN HOBBIES.**

- 3. IN APPROXIMATELY 200 WORDS, SELECT **ONE** OF THE FOLLOWING 4 QUESTIONS TO ANSWER WORDS IN THE SPACE PROVIDED BELOW or ATTACH A SEPARATE PAPER.**

**What is the career path you intend to pursue? Explain your reasons.
How did your family/ancestors make the journey to settle in Washington?
How do you plan to “give back” to your African American community?
How will this scholarship assist you in furthering your education?**