



Greater Dayton Chapter

Scholarship Program

Annually, the Greater Dayton Chapter of Blacks In Government (BIG) awards three scholarships to deserving individuals with goals of achieving higher levels of education. The scholarships target three different areas. The Paul Schooler Memorial BIG Scholarship, targets any part-time employee in the Greater Dayton area requiring financial assistance in obtaining a degree while maintaining employment. Anyone meeting the criteria outlined in the attachments may apply for this scholarship. If there are any questions, please write or email:

The Greater Dayton Chapter of BIG
Scholarship Committee, Attn: Maria Miah
P.O. BOX AMC 33684
Wright-Patterson AFB OH 45433-0684

Email address: greater.dayton@bignet.org or maria.miah@afit.edu

THE PAUL SCHOOLER MEMORIAL BIG SCHOLARSHIP

BACKGROUND: This scholarship is named after Reverend Paul Schooler, a Greater Dayton Chapter of Blacks In Government (BIG) member, who passed in 1991. Reverend Schooler was one of the founding members of the chapter and held the office of President in 1983 when the scholarship was originated. He also served as the Chapter's Chaplain for a number of years and was a staunch supporter of the goals and objectives of BIG.

PURPOSE: To provide financial assistance to an individual enrolled/attending a college or university part time.

AWARD AMOUNT & PAYMENT OF FUNDS: The scholarship payment of **\$1000** will be made payable to the college or university as a credit to the student's account for payment of tuition and/or books to assist in obtaining the desired degree. Such payments may be prorated over the academic year.

CRITERIA FOR APPLYING:

1. Applicant must be currently employed in the Greater Dayton area.
2. Applicant must be willing to use the scholarship funds within 12 months after being selected.
3. Applicant must earn and maintain a overall cumulative 3.0 grade point average (GPA). If applicant fails to meet GPA requirements, the scholarship will be revoked (applicant cannot reapply for scholarship for 2 years).
4. At the completion of each session, for which the applicant is registered, a transcript of that session's grades must be sent to: Greater Dayton Chapter of BIG Scholarship Committee.
5. Applicant must live within a 50 mile radius of the Dayton area.

6. If If you were awarded this scholarship in 2010, you are not eligible to apply for this scholarship this year.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE APPLICATION:

1. The **applicant must complete the attached application.**
2. The application must be typed or clearly printed.
3. Each item of information on the application must be addressed.
4. The following additional documents must be attached to the completed application.
 - a. Three (3) character reference letters. (One must be from a financial BIG Member).
 - b. Transcript of college courses completed.
 - c. Biographical statement (**limit to two pages**) including the following listed in order of importance: professional goals, community service, work experience, awards and recognition, professional organizations, hobbies, and other pertinent information.
(All information will be kept confidential.)
5. Send the application to:
Scholarship Committee
Greater Dayton Chapter of BIG
P. O. Box AMC 33684
Wright-Patterson AFB OH 45433-0684
6. Application must be received by **CLOSE OF BUSINESS 31 May 2011.**

SELECTION OF WINNERS: The Greater Dayton Chapter of BIG Scholarship Committee will determine eligibility, process applications, and identify scholarship winners. Selection of winners will occur by 15 August 2011.

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PERSONAL DATA

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY & ZIP CODE: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ OFFICE PHONE & EXT: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT: _____

POSITION TITLE: _____

SERIES & GRADE: _____ YEARS EMPLOYED: _____

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

(Type and Year Received)

COMMUNITY AND/OR EMPLOYING AGENCY ACTIVITIES

ACADEMIC STATUS/EDUCATION INSTITUTION INFORMATION

College Status (*check one*): Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior Graduate Student

Date of Latest Enrollment: _____ Grade Point Average: _____

Course of Study/Major: _____

Name of Institution: _____

Address of Institution: _____

Type Degree Sought: _____ Expected Completion Date: _____

ATTACHED DOCUMENTATION

3 Character Reference Letters: _____

Transcript of Courses Completed: _____

One page Biographical Statement: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE SUBMITTED: _____

***** **TO BE COMPLETED BY CHAPTER ONLY** *****

RECEIVED BY: _____ DATE RECEIVED: _____