

Black & Old Gold

2019 College Scholarship Application

Scholarship is at the core of every brother.

For additional information, contact Scholarship Committee Coordinators:

Kevin Tolbert, kmtolbert@comcast.net, 770-653-7029

or

Bob Wise, bob.wise@mindspring.com, 770-778-8914

Application Submission Guidelines

Dear Scholarship Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in the Black & Old Gold Church Award (Scholarship). This award is administered by the Men of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., who are members of Turner Chapel A.M.E Church, who believe education is the key to a successful future. Our desire is to provide a deserving high school graduating male senior at Turner Chapel A.M.E. Church, a scholarship to help defray their post-secondary educational expenses. Every completed application received by the deadline will be carefully and fairly evaluated. Awards are given without regard to race, color, creed, religion, disability, sexual orientation, or national origin. All information will be held in the strictest of confidence by the Men of Alpha at Turner Chapel AME Church. All applications become the property of The Black & Old Gold Scholarship Committee and will not be returned. The award recipient will be announced no later than May 26, 2019.

Carefully review your completed application before it is submitted. The Black & Old Gold Scholarship Committee reserves the right to process only those applications found to be complete by the application postmark deadline.

THE APPLICANT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR SUBMITTING ALL REQUIRED INFORMATION IN ONE COMPLETE PACKAGE.

Guidelines

The Black & Old Gold Scholarship was created to assist students with the high cost of college expenses.

Awards are open to males who are planning to attend an accredited post-secondary institution as a full-time student and meet all of the below criteria:

- Active member of Turner Chapel AME Church
- Minimum Cumulative GPA of 2.50 on a 4.0 scale
- Official proof of acceptance from a two year or four year accredited post-secondary institution
- Proof of completion of 40 hours of community service on the agency/organization's letterhead
- Submit two letters of references from a high school teacher/counselor, administrator, or community or church leader. At least one of the two

letters of reference should come from the community service organization. Letters from relatives are not acceptable.

- Participate in an interview, if requested

Application Process

Applicants must send:

- A completed application including the essay. The essay should be no more than two pages in length, typed, and based on the topic “Discuss the factors and rationale that influenced your decision to whether you will be attending a technical / community college or a traditional four-year college/university.” See page 6 of this packet for additional background information.
- An official copy of high school transcript in a sealed envelope.

Submit application to:

Kevin Tolbert
2040 Double Creek Drive
Powder, Springs, GA 30127

Incomplete applications and applications postmarked after May 3, 2019 will not be considered.

Selection Process and Notification

Scholarship recipients are selected according to merit on a competitive basis. In addition, applicants must demonstrate career and academic potential measured by a combination of factors, including past performance and career objectives. Not all applicants will receive awards. Applicants will be notified regarding the status of the award.

Award and Payment

The Black & Old Gold Scholarship is a one-time award amount of \$500.00. Awards may be used for the upcoming semester the scholarship is awarded and are non-renewable. Awards are paid in one installment and made payable directly to the recipient. The decision of the Committee is final.

Revision Policy

The general conditions and procedures under which scholarships are made are subject to periodic review by the Black & Old Gold Scholarship Committee, including termination of the program.

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APPLICATION

Please Type

SECTION 1 – APPLICANT INFORMATION		
Name (Last, First, Middle)		
Permanent Address		
City	State/Province	Zip/Postal Code
Phone (Home)	Phone (Cell)	Email Address
Date of Birth	Birth State	
Resident Status: <input type="checkbox"/> US Citizen <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent Residence		Parent(s) Name:
SECTION 2 – HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION		
School Name	GPA (Cumulative)	
Address		
City	State/Province	Zip/Postal Code
Phone Number	Graduation Date	
SECTION 3 – COLLEGE INFORMATION		
What school will you attend this fall?	Major	
Future Professional Goals		
SECTION 4 – COMMUNITY/EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES INFORMATION		
Briefly describe any volunteer work you have done. Explain your role including dates and locations. Include documentation indicating your hours of community service.		
SECTION 5 – HONORS/AWARDS INFORMATION		
List honors and awards you have received. Please include list of scholarships you have received to date.		
SECTION 6 – REFERENCES		
List names, email, and phone numbers for two references.		
I certify that the information provided in the application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. If requested, I agree to give proof of information I have provided in the application. I understand that falsification of information may result in the termination of any granted financial support and this application becomes the property of the Black & Old Gold Scholarship Committee.		
Applicant's Signature	Parent(s) Signature	
Date	Date	

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Application Checklist

Before sealing your package, please make sure all items listed below are included:

- Completed and signed scholarship application (signed by applicant and parent/guardian)
- Essay (Topic “Discuss the factors and rationale that influenced your decision to whether you will be attending a technical / community college or a traditional four-year college/university.”)
- Two typed letters of recommendation (sealed)
- Proof of 40 hours of community service
- Proof of active participation in some church ministry
- Official High School Transcript (sealed)
- Write “Black & Old Gold Scholarship” on the front of the envelope

Missing any of the above items will result in an incomplete package and will not be considered for an award. Application must be postmarked by May 3, 2019.

Additional Scholarship Opportunities

Many of Men of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., who are members of Turner Chapel A.M.E Church are also members of the Cobb County Alumni Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Several former recipients of the TCC Scholarship award have also been awarded the Henry A. Callis Education Foundation Scholarship sponsored by the Omicron Mu Lambda Alumni Chapter. Additional information on this scholarship can be found at: <https://www.callisfoundation.org/scholarship/>.

Essay Topic

Four Year Public/Private Institution vs. Community/Technical College

Numerous articles have been written about the pros and cons of attending a four-year college as opposed to a community or technical college. On the other hand, there have been just as many articles about the advantages of attending a community or technical college.

As you considered where you will go after high school, please discuss the factors and rationale that influenced your decision to whether you will be attending a technical / community college or a traditional four-year college/university.