

Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship

2024 Graduating Class

Established October 2010

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BACKGROUND

The **Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship** was established in 2010 to reward qualifying African-American male high school students who have shown leadership academically, as well as in the community.

OFFERED BY

Tomorrow's Black Men, Inc. (TBM)

CONTACT INFO

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ABOUT TBM

TBM is a community based organization registered in the state of Virginia...

Program activities promote professional and personal growth as well as enhance self-esteem and develop readiness and self-help skills. We intend to nurture and equip young males to set goals and realize their dreams.

PURPOSE OF SCHOLARSHIP

- · To assist and encourage young African-American males to pursue undergraduate education
- · To provide financial assistance to young African-American males enrolling in an undergraduate institution.
- · To recognize students' community engagement, academic excellence, and leadership

AWARD

Multiple scholarships will be awarded to students graduating at the end of the 2023-2024 school year. There are three levels of awards, \$500, \$1,000 and \$1,500.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- African-American male graduating from an accredited high school located in a TBM service area¹.
- U.S. citizen.
- Accepted at any accredited four-year college/university as a full-time freshman in the fall of 2024.
- Meet GPA and SAT/ACT requirements per individual award
- Must present essay to scholarship committee
- Applicants that participate in TBM sponsored events will be strongly considered

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¹ Maryland, Washington DC, Virginia

BASIS OF SELECTION

Academic Merit:

Courses taken

Academic performance

Community Service/Activities:

Include summer/holiday employment, and internships.

Include participation in charitable, athletic, and high school organizations.

Include summer camps and programs.

Essay/Interview:

Essays will be rated on content, grammar, organization, originality and oral presentation.

Finalist will be contacted for personal interview and to present essay.

Letters of Recommendations:

Include letters from counsellors and teachers as well as an employer or community or religious leader.

APPLICATION PACKET

Incomplete applications, or applications submitted after the deadline will not be considered.

Applications may be mailed or sent electronically. Applications must be postmarked or time stamped by 11:59pm, May 15, 2024.

The following documents must be included

- Scholarship Application (Must be signed by parent or guardian, if under 18 years of age)
- An official copy of your high school transcript
- Essay
- Letters of recommendation
- Self-addressed stamped envelope

APPLICATION SUBMISSION

Mail completed packet to:

TBM Scholarship Committee

PO Box 863

Clarksburg MD. 20871

Email: Scholarship@tomorrowsblackmen.org

AWARD DISBURSEMENT

Funds will be issued within 30 days of receipt of proof of college enrolment. Failure to submit pertinent information by November 1, 2024, will forfeit scholarship award. Scholarship checks will be sent directly to the University Business Office to insure proper credit to your account. Funds may be used for tuition, room and board, and books.

AVAILABILITY

The Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship is open to male African-American high school students. Students must be enrolled in a public school located in the following areas: Washington DC Metro Area

AVAILABLE SCHOLARSHIPS

Tomorrow's Leader

Award Amount: 500 Recipients: 2

- A graduate from an accredited public high school.
- Must be an incoming freshman entering an accredited four-year college or university upon high school graduation in 2024.
- Have a scholastic average of 2.0-3.0.
- College admission exam minimum scores: SAT-950 or ACT-15.
- Submit 800 word essay*.
- Community Service/Activities: Include summer/holiday employment, internships, part-time positions, etc. Also include participation in service, charitable, athletic, and high school organizations.
- Two (2) Letters of recommendation:
 - 1-Guidance Counselor/Teacher
 - 1-Community

Tomorrow's Scholar

Award Amount: 1000

Recipients: 2

- A graduate from an accredited public high school.
- Must be an incoming freshman entering an accredited four-year college or university upon high school graduation in 2024.
- Have a scholastic average of 3.1 or higher.
- Curriculum: Honors minimum.
- College admission exam minimum scores: SAT-1100 or ACT-22.
- Submit 1500 word essay*.
- Community Service/Activities: Includes summer/holiday employment, internships, part-time positions, etc. Also include participation in service, charitable, athletic, and high school organizations.
- Three (3) Letters of recommendation:
 - 2-Guidance Counselor/Teacher
 - 1-Community

Tomorrow's Trailblazer

Award Amount: 1500

Recipients: 1

- A graduate from an accredited public high school.
- Must be an incoming freshman entering an accredited four-year college or university upon high school graduation in 2024 .
- Have a scholastic average of 3.5 or higher.
- Curriculum: Honors /AP course work
- College admission exam minimum scores: SAT-1250 or ACT-30
- Submit 2000-word essay*.
- Community Service/Activities:Includes summer/holiday employment, internships, part-time positions, etc. Also include participation in service, charitable, athletic, and high school organizations.
- Three (3) Letters of recommendation:
 - 2-Guidance Counselor/Teacher
 - 1-Community

^{*}See page 8 for list of essay topics.

Select Scholarship applying for: 500						
Eligibility requiremen	ts will be strictly enforce PAR	d. Γ I PERSON	AL DATA			
Last Name		First N	Name		Middle	I
Address						
Phone #	Email Address				Date of	Birth
US Citizen: Y N_	 EDUCAT	ΓΙΟΝΑL BA	<u>CKGROUND</u>			
High School Attended		Location (City, State)		Dates Attended	Class Size/Rank	GPA
ACT SAT Colleges applied to)		Field of study		Accepted	
List other scholarships received						

Community Service/Activities Attach additional page if needed

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ommunity Related Activities:
xtra-Curricular Activities:
mployment:
<u>PART II</u>
Essay
ttach your essay to this application. Essay must be typed, double-spaced, in Times New
oman 12-point font. Each page should be numbered, titled and include word count. D

not use staples. See essay topics listed on page 8.

PART III Certification and Disclosure

In submitting this application, I hereby certify that:

I have met all requirements as outlined and acknowledge that any misrepresentation of the information presented, and or failure to comply with the Committee requirements and rules, may be grounds to rescind the scholarship award. I also agree to inform the scholarship committee of any significant changes to the information submitted.

I am/will be enrolled in a college/university as a full-time student in the fall of 2024.

The Scholarship Committee may release any material pertinent to my application including letters of recommendation, transcripts, and personal statements, to Tomorrow's Black Men, Inc. Board of Directors.

Any funds received from the Tomorrow's Black Men Inc. Scholarship will be used solely for the purpose of paying college expenses only and payable to an approved college/university. Expenses include tuition, room and board, and books.

Scholarship Committee reserves the right to request an applicant to appear before the committee for a personal interview. Where the application from the finalist is relatively equal, financial need will be taken into consideration. In this case, a statement of financial need will be requested. Award decisions of the Scholarship Committee are FINAL.

I understand that the submission of this application does not guarantee any award. All scholarship recipients will be notified no later than June 15, 2024. Scholarship recipients are REQUIRED to attend the Tomorrow's Black Men Inc. scholarship awards ceremony. Award ceremony will be announced by April 30th.

<u>Permission to use my name</u>, comments, picture, essay or photography for public relation, advertising or any other lawful purposes, and I waive any right to inspect or approve the finished version(s) including written copy that may be created in conjunction therewith. I understand that information from my scholarship application will not be shared with any third party outside of TBM's organization.

Applicant Print Name	_	Parent/Guardian Print Name		
Applicant Signature	_	Parent/Guardian Signature		
Date		Date		
For Scholarship Committee:				
Date received:	Complete: Y	N	Interview date:	

ESSAY TOPICS:

Pick one topic according to scholarship award.

Tomorrow's Scholar

Award Amount: 500

- Describe the world as you see it.
- Give your opinion on the state of education, locally or nationally.
- What is your view of the impact technology is having on our society?
- How has social media, positively or negatively, affected your gathering of knowledge and information? And how might that affect your learning as a student?

Tomorrow's Leader

Award Amount: 1000

Identify a current leader (local, national or world). What would you say to him\her about the following? (Pick one)

- Drug trafficking
- Hunger
- War
- Global economy
- Environmental issues (ex. climate change, pollution, natural resources)
- Education
- Cooperation to solve world issues
- Immigration

Tomorrow's Trailblazer

Award Amount: 1500

- Reflect on the power dynamics within advocacy and activism. How can individuals effectively navigate and challenge the dominant power structures to bring about meaningful change?
- Consider the impact of historical events on current societal structures. Discuss how acknowledging and understanding historical injustices can inform our approach to addressing contemporary issues.
- Reflect on the dangers of complacency in the face of societal issues. How does undermining awareness of these issues impact citizens, and what role can individuals play in raising awareness?
- How should History be taught in the public school system? What is the current and future impact of teaching History in a time where we now have access to multiple perspectives that may differ from what is taught in schools?
- Discuss the ethical responsibility of media and information dissemination in shaping public opinion. Analyze how media can either perpetuate or challenge the status quo in addressing societal inequities.