



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION AND GUIDELINES

The American Association of Blacks in Energy (AABE) is a professional organization of African Americans in the energy industry. Through its scholarship program, the AABE organization seeks to increase the number of African Americans and other underrepresented minorities* in energy related fields. By doing so, we help our nation address a critical need and a challenge to our future economic vitality in the world market.

Eligibility

Candidates for a scholarship from the Mississippi Chapter of the AABE organization must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- Have, minimally, an overall "B" academic average and a "B" average in mathematics and science courses.
- Be a graduating high school senior who has applied to one or more accredited colleges/universities.
- Plan to major in engineering, mathematics and/or science field.
- Demonstrate financial need.
- Be a member of one of the underrepresented minority groups in the sciences and related areas of technology.

**Hispanic and Native Americans*

Selection

Scholarship recipients - known as AABE Scholars - are determined each spring by the organization's local chapter scholarship committee for local scholarships and by the national scholarship committee for national scholarships. Recipients receive notification of their selection by mail and e-mail.

Awards

The Mississippi Chapter of the AABE organization will award one \$2,000 scholarship and several \$1,000 scholarships to eligible high school seniors to be announced at the Annual Scholarship Banquet in the spring. The applications of the top three winners will be forwarded to compete for a Southwest Regional Award of \$3,000 (The Southwest Region is one of six AABE regions), or a Premier scholarship of \$5,000 awarded annually to the candidate who is judged nationally to demonstrate the most outstanding achievement and promise at the national convention. Students receive the awards after submitting proof of enrollment to an accredited college or university.

The Application Package

Consideration will be given only to candidates submitting complete application packages which include: (1) a completed AABE Scholarship Application (copies are acceptable); (2) a high school transcript; (3) official proof of ACT or SAT scores; (4) two letters of reference (one academic, one non-academic); (5) a copy of both parent(s)/guardian(s) signed 2008 tax return and W-2 forms or a verified FAFSA form; and (6) the attached checklist verifying the completion of each item.

*Complete application packages MUST BE POSTMARKED or e-mailed **NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2009**, and submitted to the local AABE Chapter in Mississippi at the address listed below. Applications submitted directly to the AABE national office or the national scholarship committee will not be considered for scholarship support.*

Mail Application to: Mississippi Chapter of AABE
ATTN: Robbie Kemp
P. O. BOX 1640 / M-JEFF-415
JACKSON, MS 39215

Or scan and e-mail electronic copy to: [rkemp@entergy.com]

AABE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name _____ Phone (____) _____
Last First M.I.

Address _____
Street City State Zip

Email address _____

Date of Birth _____ Sex M__ F__

Parent(s)/Guardian

Father _____
Last First M.I. Occupation

Address _____ Home Phone _____

Employer _____ Phone _____

Employer's Address _____

Mother _____
Last First M.I. Occupation

Address _____ Home Phone _____

Employer _____ Phone _____

Employer's Address _____

Guardian _____
Last First M.I. Occupation

Address _____ Home Phone _____

Employer _____ Phone _____

Employer's Address _____

Guardian's Relationship to Applicant _____

Parent/Guardian e-mail address: _____

No. of siblings & their ages _____

Family income: \$ _____ per year (*attach copy of signed 2008 tax returns and W-2 forms or verified FAFSA*).

College(s) to which you have applied _____

Where accepted? _____ Intended major _____

Expected date of enrollment _____

Total score for ACT _____ or SAT _____ Date you took examination _____

Critical Reading score _____ Math score _____ Writing score _____

Overall academic grade average _____ on a 4.0 scale

Name of high school presently attending:

Address _____

Expected date of graduation _____

Principal's name _____

Extracurricular Activities in Which You Are Presently Active (additional sheets permitted)

1. School Activities _____

2. Community Activities _____

3. Offices Held and Honors Received _____

On a separate sheet, in 350 words or less (typed, doubled-spaced), please write a concise essay addressing (1) why you should receive an AABE scholarship, (2) your professional career objectives, and (3) any additional information which may assist the selection committee.

Please give the names, addresses and telephone numbers of two references, other than members of your family: (one academic and one non-academic).

Name _____

Name _____

Address _____

Address _____

Telephone (____) _____

Telephone (____) _____

Relationship
to Applicant _____

Relationship
to Applicant _____

I hereby state that the information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Signature

Date



American Association of Blacks in Energy
Scholarship Application Checklist

The following is a list of qualifications and items that MUST be submitted in order for a scholarship application to be considered. Every candidate must be able to check each line.

As a candidate for the AABE MS Chapter scholarship program, I affirm the following:

- I have an academic average of "B" or better (GPA based on a 4.0 scale).
I am a graduating high school senior who intends to enroll next semester in an accredited college or university.
I will major in an engineering, mathematics and/or science field.
I believe I can demonstrate financial need.
I am one of the underrepresented minorities.
I have submitted a completed AABE application form (copies are acceptable).
I have attached ALL (parent(s) or guardian) official verification of income (copy of signed 2008 tax return and W-2 form; 1098; 1099; or public assistance income verification from 2008).
I have attached an official current high school transcript.
I have composed the requested essay and it has been proofread for typing errors, grammar, structure, organization, content and clarity.
I have attached a copy (official proof) of my ACT and/or SAT scores.
I have identified the number of dependent siblings and/or dependent children living in my home along with the ages of those siblings or children.
I have attached two (2) letters of reference (one academic and one non-academic).
I have additional sheets, as needed, to list all of my school and community extracurricular activities.
My name appears on ALL attachments.

Your signature below signifies you have checked each line above and therefore affirm each statement. After signing, attach this form to the front of your application.

Student's Name (PRINT) Date

Coordinator's Name (PRINT) Date

Student's Signature Date

Coordinator's Signature Date

Coordinator's e-mail: _____