

**National Maritime Intelligence Center  
BLACKS IN GOVERNMENT  
Scholarship Program  
Post Office Box 1034  
Suitland, MD 20752**

**2012 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

The Blacks In Government National Maritime Intelligence Center Chapter (NMIC-BIG) Scholarship Program is accepting applications from high school students who will be graduating this spring. A complete application package must be submitted to the scholarship committee no later than **March 1, 2012**. The package must consist of a scholarship application form, a written essay, an official high school transcript, a completed certification of academic standing form, and recommendations.

**APPLICATIONS HAND DELIVERED OR POSTMARKED AFTER MARCH 1, 2012 WILL BE INELIGIBLE. PACKAGES RECEIVED WITHOUT TRANSCRIPTS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:**

- Applicant must be graduating from an accredited secondary educational institution.
- Applicant must have applied for admission into at least one accredited institution of higher learning for the Fall 2012 school term.
- Applicant must have at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA.
- Applicant must provide two recommendations: one from an official of their current school and one from either an employer, community organization, and or/church.
- The applicant must reside within a 200-mile radius of Washington, D.C.
- Selected student must be enrolled and in attendance for each semester prior to funds being disbursed.

**QUALIFYING COMPETITIVE FACTORS:**

- An essay written on one of the following topics:
  - As technology advances and the use of social networks increases, how might these advances impact your future, to include your education and career choice, within the next 5 years? What will the future look like?
  - Who in your life has influenced and/or shaped the way you look at life and the way you strive for your goals? How do you plan to exemplify the impact this individual has made in your life with your degree and career goals?

- What does the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 mean to you? How do you think it has impacted your education and future?
- What is your definition of education? How might your education impact your life, community, and world? What steps will you take within the next 5 years to make your stated impact?

Failure to address one of the specified topics disqualifies the applicant. The essay must be between 500 to 700 words, typed and double-spaced. Essays will be rated on content, depth, grammar, organization, and originality.

- Applicant must complete the application package in its entirety. Applicant must provide the following: official **cumulative weighted** GPA form with school seal to include grades nine through semester ending January 2012; an official school transcript; and two recommendations from a school official of their current school and from an employer, community organization, and/or church.

A **mandatory personal interview** consisting of an oral presentation of the applicant's essay and a question/response period is required. Only finalists, determined by the competitive factors, will have personal interviews.

Applicants will receive written notification of the status of their applications via email. Students selected to receive a scholarship must forward the name and address of the institution being attended for Fall 2012 and the student account number as proof of registration to Ms. Tonitta Hopkins by **September 1, 2012**. Once the student's proof of registration is received, NMIC BIG will issue a check to the institution within 14 business days. For additional information contact Ms. Hopkins on (301) 669-2418 or at [thopkins@nmic.navy.mil](mailto:thopkins@nmic.navy.mil).

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**Scholarship Application Form**

(Please type or print legibly)

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's City, State, Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY) \_\_\_\_\_

School applicant attends now (name, city, state) \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated Date of Graduation (MM/YYYY) \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Cumulative Weighted GPA \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's ACT and/or SAT scores \_\_\_\_\_

Principal's/Counselor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Principal's/Counselor's Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

School community, church, or organization activities: \_\_\_\_\_

Honors, awards, and other achievements: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution to which applicant applied for admission in 2011 (name, city, and state) \_\_\_\_\_

Intended field of study \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Signature

Date

Parent's/Guardian's Signature  
Required if less than 18 years old

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**CERTIFICATION OF ACADEMIC STANDING**

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name & Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Student Identification Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please complete the following for the student named above and AFFIX SCHOOL SEAL:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Is officially enrolled for the 2011-2012 academic term

\_\_\_\_\_ Has a Cumulative Weighted Grade Point Average of \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please calculate to **FOUR DECIMAL PLACES.**)

\_\_\_\_\_ Has an anticipated Graduation Date of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Has a satisfactory attendance record

\_\_\_\_\_ Other Comments \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Signed by \_\_\_\_\_  
School Counselor/Administrator

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**AFFIX SCHOOL SEAL HERE!**

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**SCHOLARSHIP RECOMMENDATION FORM**

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Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

This applicant has applied for a Blacks In Government National Maritime Intelligence Center Chapter Scholarship. Please attach a recommendation regarding this student's character, attitude, or any other pertinent information you wish to include.