



Chicago Chapter of the Tuskegee Airmen, Inc.

Educational Assistance Award

Program Description

Chapter web site: www.taichicago.org

Young Eagle Scholarship Hotline: 773-602-2880

****Postmark Deadline – April 19, 2021****

Objectives of the Educational Assistance Program

The Chicago Chapter of Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. has established the Educational Assistance Program (EAP), for \$1500.00 for students or the Dr. Perez Award, \$1500.00 to students pursuing Aviation, Engineering and Medical Sciences who demonstrate the qualities of the 15,000 African Americans who received Aviation training at Tuskegee Alabama from 1941 - 1948. Applicants should exemplify the following:

- **Vision** of their own potential
- **Commitment** to excellence, perseverance and service
- **Thirst** for knowledge, personal growth and positive societal change
- **Honor and Integrity** in actions and behaviors
- **Respect** for self, others and the legacy of the Tuskegee Airmen.

Eligibility and Application Criteria

The Chicago Chapter of Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. will provide awards to qualified high school seniors who will attend an accredited institution as a full-time student the fall of the succeeding school year. The following criteria must be met:

- High school graduation in the spring of the current school year
- Cumulative grade point average of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale
- ACT composite of 18 or higher and/or SAT equivalent.

Application and Submission Requirements

Prior to an optional (Skype) interview with the Educational Assistance Committee, the entire application package is evaluated. Before mailing, the applicant should verify the completeness of the package by verifying and checking the boxes below:

1. Completed application (the next 2 pages)
2. High school transcript, evidencing a minimum 2.75 grade point average
3. An essay titled "The Tuskegee Airmen", typed, double-spaced not to exceed one (1) page
4. An essay titled "I Am", typed, double-spaced not to exceed two (2) pages
5. One letter of recommendation from a teacher, counselor, coach or other school official
6. Two letters of recommendation from a community leader, faith leader or other non-academic, non- family member).

Congratulations!

The Educational Assistance Committee of the Chicago Chapter of the Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. congratulates you on your decision to pursue higher education. We look forward to receiving your completed application. It is recommended that you make copies of all documents before mailing to the post office box. Also, **please notify the following individual via email** that the application has been mailed: Charlie Richardson, CMS (RET) USAF at cmsrichardson@aol.com.



Mail completed application to:

Charlie Richardson, CMS (RET) USAF
Chicago Chapter of the Tuskegee Airmen, Inc.
Educational Assistance Award Application, p. 2
P.O. Box 558403
Chicago, IL 60655

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Personal Information

Name: _____ Male Female

High School: _____ Birth date: _____

Home address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Name of Parent(s) or Guardian(s): _____

College(s) of Interest, Grade Point and Standardized Test Scores & Major Curriculum or area of focus

College Preference 1: _____ Applied? Yes No Accepted? Yes No

College Preference 2: _____ Yes No Yes No

Grade Point Average: _____ Composite ACT (1-36): _____ SAT (200-1600 point scale): _____

Formal or Structured Program Involvement

- ROTC Civil Air Patrol Young Eagles Program Gary Flight Academy Aviation Essay Contest
 Youth Aviation Summer Life Skills Program ACT & SAT College Prep Program Other _____

Academic and Other Honors

Employment, Community and Other Involvement

Household and Income Information for 2020

Number of individuals in the household: _____ Number that school age (to 18 years): _____ Number employed: _____

2020 Adjusted Gross Income from IRS form 1040 (line 37): \$ _____ Number of Exemptions (line 6d): _____

2019 Adjusted Gross Income from IRS form 1040EZ (line 4): \$ _____

Please provide copy of 1040 for verification



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I / We certify that the information provided on this application is complete and accurate.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Signature of Parent(s) or Guardian

Date

ATTACHMENTS REQUIRED:

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