

Application Deadline

Applications are due
March 30. For more
information, visit
www.bignet.org.

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Financial BIG Members' children, stepchildren, and grandchildren are eligible for FEEA/BIG scholarship.

BIG members, who are federal employees, and their children are also eligible for FEEA's regular scholarship.

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Federal Employee Education and Assistance Fund (FEEA) & Blacks In Government (BIG) Scholarship Program



Overview

Blacks In Government (BIG) along with the Federal Employee Education and Assistance Fund (FEEA) will establish the FEEA/BIG Scholarship Fund. Through an annual open-competitive, process, this fund will provide scholarships to children, step-children, and grandchildren of all financial BIG members, who have been a member in good standing for at least two consecutive years.

This scholarship fund will help to open the doors of educational opportunity for BIG members' children, step-children, and grandchildren through members' generous contributions, sponsorship, and organizational contributions. The Federal Employee Education and Assistance Fund (FEEA) in Littleton, Colorado will administer the scholarship fund.

Applicants must be at least high school seniors who are planning to attend college full-time in the fall/winter of the year of application, and they must have a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 on an un-weighted 4.0 scale. Each spring BIG will publish the application form on the BIG website: www.bignet.org and mail a copy to each chapter.

Blacks In Government will award a scholarship to one student from each BIG region. The BIG/FEEA Scholarship Awards program will announce eleven (11) \$1,000 cash award winners for the school year.

Eligibility

1. Applicants must be children, stepchildren, or grandchildren of financial BIG members, who have been a member in good standing for at least two consecutive years.
2. Sponsors must have at least three (3) years continual employment.
3. Applicants to the FEEA/BIG Scholarship Fund will compete based on merit alone. Financial information is not sought from applicants or BIG sponsors
4. Applicants must be at least high school seniors planning to enroll in a two- or four-year post- secondary, accredited undergraduate degree program
5. Applicants must have at least a 3.0 cumulative grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Application Requirements

1. A completed copy of the FEEA/BIG Scholarship application form. The application will be published on the BIG website and mailed to all chapters.
2. A complete transcript of the student's grades, including the most recent fall/winter semester, submitted with the application package. Photocopies are acceptable.
3. A written recommendation/character reference for the applicant,

submitted with the application, from a community leader, teacher, or counselor.

4. An essay, not to exceed two typed, double-spaced pages, on a different topic each year (topic indicated on application).
5. Copy of ACT, SAT or Other Examination Scores is required for applicants who are high school seniors but optional for all other applicants.
6. Copy of Sponsor's Most Recent Standard Form 50 "Notice of Personnel Action" (PS 50 for Postal Employees) or current pay stub.
7. List of awards, extra-curricular, and community service activities

Awards

1. Awards are \$1000.00 per year.
2. FEEA/BIG scholarship awards are for one year.
3. All awards are strictly MERIT based; we do **NOT** consider financial need.
4. A complete list of awards is generally available on BIG's web site by mid-November.
5. All award checks are made out to the student **AND** the school and must be deposited into the student's school account.

A new complete application is required each year; students may apply each year they remain in school and continue to meet the eligibility requirements.