



## **2026 Graduating High School Students HBCU SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Links, Incorporated is an international, not-for-profit corporation established in 1946, composed of accomplished women of African descent committed to friendship and service. With chapters across the United States and abroad, it continues to have a profound impact on communities through civic engagement, educational initiatives, and global outreach.

Buffalo (NY) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated presents the competition for its annual HBCU Scholarship award for 12<sup>th</sup> grade graduates who, by Fall 2026, will attend a Historically Black College/University (HBCU).

### **Criteria, which must be met by applicants, are as follows:**

- **High School Senior, May/June 2026 graduate**
- **Minimum GPA of 85**
- **Accepted (or acceptance forthcoming) at an accredited Historically Black College/University.**

### **The applicant must:**

1. Complete the application.
2. Submit one letter of recommendation from a teacher, school counselor or principal.
3. Write a 200-word essay on why he/she will be attending an HBCU.
4. Have his/her school counselor mail a copy of the official transcript by **April 24, 2026** to the PO box shown below.
5. If selected as a finalist, be available for an interview, which will be scheduled **May 12, 2026**.
6. The scholarship application and letters of recommendation must be received by the scholarship committee, addressed as follows, and **postmarked** no later than **April 24, 2026**.

**Buffalo (NY) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated  
c/o Scholarship (HBCU) Committee  
P.O. Box 1664  
Buffalo, NY 14226**



## 2026 Scholarship HBCU Application Graduating High School Students

### ***Personal Information***

Name	_____	Birth Date	_____
Address	_____		
City	_____	Zip Code	_____
Telephone	_____		
Email	_____		
Parent or Guardian	_____		
Address (if different from above)	_____		
Annual Family Income	_____		
Number in Family Living at Home			Number in College _____

### ***Education***

Elementary School	_____		
High School	_____		
High School Major	_____		
Rank in Class	_____	Overall Average	_____
	_____		_____

### ***Additional Personal Information (Use additional paper if necessary)***

Extra-Curricular & Community Activities (please list)	_____
	_____
	_____
List any Prizes, Awards, Honors, etc., received	_____
	_____
	_____
Hobbies, Skills, Talents	_____
	_____
What are your future goals?	_____
	_____

**College**

What college do you plan to attend?	_____
Courses/Majors Contemplated	_____
Please list anticipated annual college expenses:	
Tuition	_____
Books	_____
Room & Board	_____
Other	_____
<b>Total</b>	_____
How did you learn about this scholarship opportunity?	_____
	_____

**Note: *Incomplete applications will not be considered!***

**Please mail completed application and letters of recommendation  
by April 24, 2026, to:**

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