

**BLACKS IN GOVERNMENT**  
**Energy Chapter Blacks In Government**  
**P.O. Box 23540 Washington, DC 20026**

**Tips to complete scholarship application package**

To all Applicants of the Energy Chapter Blacks In Government (BIG) 2022 Scholarship Program:

The BIG Scholarship Committee has prepared the following tips to complete the Energy Chapter BIG Scholarship application package:

- **PLEASE READ ALL** instructions and related information thoroughly.
- If you have questions or need **any clarification**, you should reach out to any scholarship points of contact, see below.
- Follow **all** instructions enclosed in the letter.
  - **It is imperative that you do not** wait until the “last minute” to prepare your application or to request the required documents to submit your application (e.g., certifications, recommendations). Some unexpected event may occur at the “last minute”, which could prevent you from submitting your application by the deadline.
- Be sure the essay title is typed or written on your paper. The essay title does not have to be the same title of the topic, but it must cover the topic essay.
- **Check spelling, grammar, and word count. This can be done by using the word count feature in Microsoft Word or asking someone to proofread your essay.**
- **Be sure your complete name is written on each page submitted in the upper right-hand corner.**
- Completed applications may be submitted electronically to [BIG.ENERGY@HQ.DOE.GOV](mailto:BIG.ENERGY@HQ.DOE.GOV) or by mail to **Energy Chapter Blacks In Government, P.O. Box 23540, Washington, DC 20026.**
- If you mail your application, make a **copy to keep for your records and mail the original.**
- **Be sure all the documents are stapled in the package!**
- If you mail your application package, be sure your package has enough **postage to cover delivery.**
- If you mail your application package, **get a receipt, and retain it for proof** that you met the mailing deadline.

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Dear Applicant,

The Energy Chapter Blacks In Government (BIG) Scholarship Program is accepting applications from high school students who will graduate in Spring 2022. The Scholarship Committee will award three scholarships each in the amount of \$500. To be considered for the scholarship, a completed application package must be submitted to the Scholarship Committee no later than **March 31, 2022**.

**The application package must consist of a completed scholarship application form, a typed essay, Certification of Academic Standing form, and a letter of recommendation from someone other than family member.**

**APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY OR POSTMARKED AFTER MARCH 31, 2022, WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP.**

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- Applicant must be a senior graduating from an accredited secondary educational institution.
- Applicant must have been accepted for admission into at least one accredited 2- or 4-year institution of higher learning beginning Fall 2022 school year with a major geared towards: Science, Math and Technology; Social Science and Health and Medicine. **Applicant must provide proof of acceptance** (e.g., copy of acceptance letter or email).
- Applicant must have at least a 2.8 cumulative high school grade point average (GPA) on a 4.0 scale.
- Applicant must provide one letter of recommendation from an official of current school, community organization, church, or an employer. **(Please do not submit a recommendation letter from relatives).**
- The applicant must reside within a 50-mile radius of the DMV.
- Applicant **can be** (but not required) an immediate family member of a U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) employee or a BIG member in good standing. Please mention this member in the required phone interview.
- Applicant and parent/guardian signatures are required on the application, if applicant is less than 18 years old.

**QUALIFYING COMPETITIVE FACTORS**

**1. Submit an essay typed or written on one of the following topics:**

1. How has COVID-19 affected your learning on a virtual basis?
2. What did you learn from watching the January 6, 2021, insurrection on The Capitol?
3. How would you handle diversity, inclusion and race while attending college?

**Essays will be rated on content, depth, grammar, organization, and originality.** Failure to address one of the specified topics will disqualify the application. The essay should be a minimum of 500 words and no more than 800 words, typed or written, grammatically structured and double-spaced. At end of the essay, record the "Word Count" and specify the number of words in your essay by using Word Count feature in Microsoft Word or asking someone proofread your essay. Points will be deducted for essays that have less than 500 or more than 800 words.

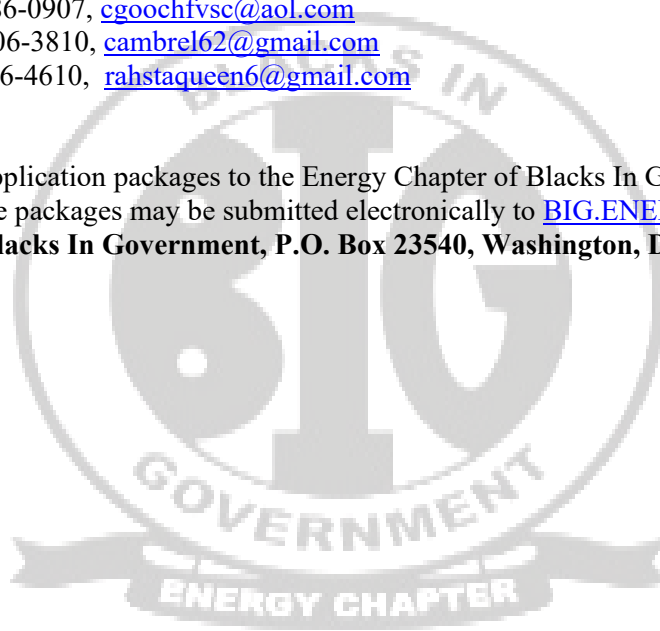
2. **The completed Certification of Academic Standing Form and an official transcript (stamped and sealed) that includes the ninth grade through senior semester ending in January 2022.**
3. **A mandatory phone interview.** The interview will consist of an oral presentation of the applicant's essay and a question/response period. Personal interviews will only be conducted for those finalists who scored high on the essay along with their cumulative GPA scores.

**To receive written notification of the status of your application, enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope using the P.O. Box listed above: Attn: Scholarship Committee.**

For additional information about the scholarship application, contact the Energy Chapter President, Tara Fuller at (202) 586-8921, [BIG.ENERGY@HQ.DOE.GOV](mailto:BIG.ENERGY@HQ.DOE.GOV) or the scholarship committee below:

Clarence Gooch at (202) 586-0907, [cgoochfvsc@aol.com](mailto:cgoochfvsc@aol.com)  
Shirley Cambrel at (240) 606-3810, [cambrel62@gmail.com](mailto:cambrel62@gmail.com)  
Lettie Wormley at (202) 586-4610, [rahstaqueen6@gmail.com](mailto:rahstaqueen6@gmail.com)

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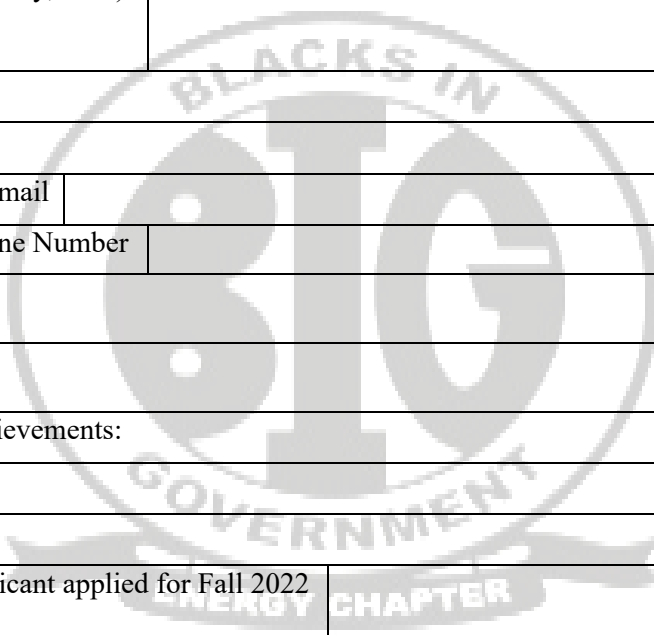


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**2022 Scholarship Application Form**

(Please type or print legibly)

Applicant Name			
Applicant Street Address			
Applicant City, State and Zip Code			
Applicant Telephone Number			
Applicant email address			
Applicant Gender			
Applicant Date of Birth			
Parent/Guardian Name			
Applicant High School (name, city, state)			
Date of Graduation			
Applicant Cumulative GPA			
Principal/Counselor's Name/Email			
Principal/Counselor's Telephone Number			
Honors, awards, and other achievements:			
College/University which applicant applied for Fall 2022 admission (name, city, state).			
Intended field of study			



\_\_\_\_\_ Applicant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

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

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Application Number 2022-_____	Eligible: yes no -- _____		
Essay: Double Spaced: yes no _____	Word Count: _____	Cum GPA: _____	GPA Score: _____
Complete: yes no -- _____	Requested Notification: yes no _____		

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**CERTIFICATION OF ACADEMIC STANDING**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Please complete the information below for the student named above.**

**Please provide an official transcript (sealed and stamped) that includes the ninth grade through the senior semester ending in January 2022.**

\_\_\_\_\_ Has a Cumulative Grade Point Average of? \_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_ Other Comments if applicable \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Signed by: \_\_\_\_\_

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

School Counselor/Administrator

**AFFIX SCHOOL SEAL HERE!**