

APPLICATION PACKET CONTENT/CHECKLIST

1. Completed application

100 Black Men of Central Illinois Scholarship is available each year.

2. Two (2) Letters of Recommendation

3. Official Academic Transcript

4. Letter of Acceptance from Institution

On official letterhead (original not required, but must be able to present upon request)

5. Proof of Enrollment at an institution of higher education

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BLACK MEN
OF CENTRAL ILLINOIS, INC.



**Academic Scholarship
2025**

Dear Applicant:

The 100 Black Men of Central Illinois Inc. is committed to the growth and development of our community's youth. In addition to engaging in mentoring, education and health & wellness programs, we believe it is important to assist in the advancement of talented young students in the pursuit of higher education. We are able to provide scholarships to a few deserving African American students without regard to gender, creed, or religious preference.

Individuals applying must complete the attached 100 Black Men of Central Illinois Inc. Scholarship Application following the instructions below. You must submit the completed application and other required information by **April 30, 2025**.

The information can be submitted in the following ways:

1. Mailing all the documents postmarked by the due date to the following address:

100 Black Men of Central Illinois, Inc.
P.O. Box 930
Bloomington, IL 61702-0930

2. E-mailing the documents to scholarship@100bmci.org and mailing all sealed documents postmarked by the due date to the P.O. Box above.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Traditional Student, Non-Traditional Student, Trade School Student, or Graduate Student
- Currently attending a post secondary, accredited institution or planning to attend
- Planning to attend school for the entire academic year (August 2025 - May 2026)
- Current cumulative grade point average of 2.5

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Scholarship Application

100 Black Men of Central Illinois Scholarship application is available each year and may be acquired from the chapter, local schools, or our website www.100bmci.org. The application is a fillable PDF and should be filled out on a computer and printed. If you need an electronic copy, it's available on the website or you can send an email to scholarship@100bmci.org to request a copy.

Letters of Recommendation

One of the typed letters of recommendation is required from a **school official**, who is not related to the applicant. This recommendation should comment on the applicant's character and leadership qualities. The additional letter of recommendation should also be from someone who is a not related and familiar with the applicant's character and aptitude.

Acceptance Letter

An acceptance letter from an accredited four-year, two-year educational institution, or graduate school. If an applicant's acceptance letter is not available by the scholarship deadline, please contact a Scholarship Team member, Jeffery Staten at (309) 825-6523 or Raphael Jones at (309) 825-6890. (Note: This letter must be on the official letterhead of the educational institution)

Official Academic Transcript

Applicants must submit an official academic transcript from their most recent school/college or a GED certification.

AWARD NOTIFICATION

The 100 Black Men of Central Illinois, Inc. is once again offering multiple scholarships this year. After receipt of the completed application and the required information, the 100 Black Men of Central Illinois, Inc. may schedule a personal interview with the applicant. All scholarship winners will be notified. Failure to submit all documents required by this application or to follow all directions will disqualify you from consideration. If you have any questions, please contact one of our Scholarship Team members, Jeffery Staten at (309) 825-6523 or Raphael Jones at (309) 825-6890.

Date: _____

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Name: _____
(Optional)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Phone: _____

Date of Birth: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Phone: _____

Relationship: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Phone: _____

Relationship: _____ E-mail Address: _____

What school are you currently attending or previously attended? _____
(Please include address) _____

What other educational institutions have you attended? _____

What degrees have you received (if any)? _____

When are you planning to begin your studies? (Please check one)

Summer 2025

Fall 2025

Spring 2026

What is your overall grade point average? (High School/College) _____ G.P.A. Scale _____

When is your high school graduation? (If applicable) _____

What higher educational institution do you currently attend or are planning to attend?

What is your current or intended field of study? (List Major & Minor)

What are your career goals after graduation from a higher educational institution?

Are you currently employed? Yes No

Please list the name of current or past employer: _____

Start date of employment: _____

End date of employment: _____

List extracurricular **high school** activities you are participating or have participated in. (Please include offices held, awards, or honors received.)

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| 3.) _____ | 7.) _____ |
| 4.) _____ | 8.) _____ |

List extracurricular **community** activities you are participating or have participated in. (Please include offices held, awards, or honors received.)

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| 1.) _____ | 5.) _____ |
| 2.) _____ | 6.) _____ |
| 3.) _____ | 7.) _____ |
| 4.) _____ | 8.) _____ |

Have you ever been convicted of a crime? Yes No If the answer is a yes please explain.
(Note: A yes answer does not guarantee you will be excluded from scholarship consideration.)

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Is there anything additional about you or your experiences that would assist us in assessing your qualifications for a scholarship?

The 100 Black Men agree to keep all information confidential and will discard materials upon request. Application material will not be returned.

I understand that the members of 100 Black Men of Central Illinois, Inc. retain the sole right to determine the recipient of this Scholarship. In addition, I understand that misrepresentations or false information on this application will disqualify me for scholarship consideration. I authorize the members of 100 Black Men of Central Illinois, Inc. to contact my high school or university to verify the information stated on the application.

Signature _____ Date _____