

## APPLICATION PACKET CONTENT/CHECKLIST

### **1. Completed application**

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

### **2. Essay**

### **3. One (1) Letter of Recommendation**

### **4. Official Academic Transcript**

### **5. Letter of Acceptance from Institution**

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

### **6. Proof of Enrollment at an institution of higher education**

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BLACK MEN  
OF CENTRAL ILLINOIS, INC.



**Academic Scholarship  
2022**

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, 2022**.

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 [info@100bmci.org](mailto:info@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 2022 - May 2023)
- 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 web site [www.100bmci.org](http://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 web site or you can send an email to [info@100bmci.org](mailto:info@100bmci.org) to request a copy.

#### **Letter of Recommendation**

One typed letter of recommendation is required from a school official, who is not related to the applicant. The recommendation should comment on the applicant's character and leadership qualities.

**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.

**ESSAY**

Applicants are required to submit a TYPED essay. Use your discretion to provide a thoughtful position for your response. Your essay will be assessed for Quality (coherency, language, style, clarity) and Technical Prowess (spelling, punctuation, grammar, verb tense).

The essay topic is as follows:

“How has your education contributed to who you are today?”

**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: \_\_\_\_\_

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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 2022

Fall 2022

Spring 2023

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)

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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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| 2.) _____ | 6.) _____ |
| 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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| 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 \_\_\_\_\_