

# Wichita Heartland Black Chamber of Commerce

The **Wichita Heartland Black Chamber of Commerce** is a non-profit organization comprised of small business owners, corporate representatives, and associates representing various non-profit organizations purposed to leverage communal capital to aid members in enterprise creation.

We are an organization striving to establish a pool of current and useful information that our members can draw from and bring forth strong leadership within the business community in Wichita Kansas. The 5 pillars of the organization are to 1) Ensure access to capital, 2) Advocacy, 3) Contracting, 4) Entrepreneurial training, and 5) Counseling/technical assistance.

The Wichita Heartland Black Chamber of Commerce is part of the National U.S.B.C. (United States Black Chambers, Inc) and satellite of the Regional HBCC which serves Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska, and Kansas to include all races with special emphasis on the African American community.



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## 2019 Scholarship Program

*5 Scholarships Available!*

### Guidelines

The Wichita Heartland Black Chamber of Commerce announces ***The Wichita Heartland Black Chamber of Commerce 2019 Scholarship Award Program***. The awards banquet will be on April 27<sup>st</sup> 2019 at the Corporate Hills Marriott. Under the Program, five (5) \$500 scholarships will be awarded to seniors attending a high school in the city of Wichita.

#### Available Scholarships:

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#### Program Guidelines & Priorities:

- \* Seeking graduating seniors with a record of volunteerism in the community in non-school sponsored activities and participation in extracurricular school activities with the entrepreneurial drive to build a business after college.
- \* Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 2.5, and plan to attend a 4-year College or 2.0 for those who plan to attend a 2-year college or technical school.
- \* Scholarship funds will be paid the first semester of the student's first year **directly to the college** and not to the student. It will be the student's responsibility to submit to the WHBCC an invoice for tuition and fees, student ID number and college information.
- \* Applicants must have the endorsement of their Guidance Counselor on their application attesting they are a qualified fit for this scholarship program. ***The Wichita Heartland Black Chamber of Commerce Scholarship committee strongly suggests that each high school present this opportunity to the strongest applicants that match this program's guidelines.*** Application deadline is ***March 30, 2019 by 4:00 p.m.*** to be received at the below address or by e-mail at [wichitahbcc@outlook.com](mailto:wichitahbcc@outlook.com). Late applications are not accepted.

Mail one copy of a completed typed application package to:

The Heartland Black Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Committee  
6505 E. Central Ave Ste. 283  
Wichita, KS 67206

*(This includes application with sign off by Guidance Department, essay, resume, and school transcript.)*

The applications will be reviewed and recipients selected by a committee consisting of volunteers from ***The Wichita Heartland Black Chamber of Commerce***. The scholarships will be awarded in April 2019.

Applications may be downloaded from ***The Wichita Heartland Black Chamber of Commerce*** facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/HBCC316/>.

Scholarship awardees who continue to be enrolled in college courses may be awarded additional scholarships for their second semester of their sophomore, junior, and senior year of college. The awardees must maintain a 2.5 GPA and will be responsible of submitting proof of enrollment to the scholarship committee.

Please submit any questions to: [WichitaHBCC@outlook.com](mailto:WichitaHBCC@outlook.com)

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## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2019

Please <b>type</b> your answers.	
1.	Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
2.	Mailing Address Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
3.	Daytime Telephone Number: (     ) _____ Email Address: _____
4.	Date of Birth:   Month           Day           Year           Gender: _____
5.	Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA): _____ (On a 4.0 scale) Attach proof of GPA. Your most recent school transcript is required.
6.	Are you the first person in your family to go to college:   YES ___   NO ___
7.	Name and location of High School: _____
8.	<p><b>(If your resume or activities sheet answers question 8, please attach and skip to Question 9.)</b></p> <p>A. List any academic honors, awards and membership activities while in high school:</p>  <p>B. List your hobbies, outside interests, extracurricular activities and school related volunteer activities:</p>  <p>C. List your non-school sponsored volunteer activities in the community:</p>
9.	<p>A. If you have decided on what university, college, community college or technical college you plan to attend, please list their name.</p> <p>B. If not, list your top 3 college choices:</p>
10.	Is your <u>parent or legal guardian</u> a member of WHBCC?   Yes _____ No _____
11.	<p>Name of parent(s) or legal guardian(s): _____</p> <p>Home phone of parent(s) or legal guardian(s): _____</p> <p>Email address of parent(s) or legal guardian(s): _____</p> <p><b>(Include address if different than your own listed in Question 2.)</b></p> <p>Name(s) _____ Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____</p>

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**On a separate sheet please write an essay (500 words) answering the questions below:**

12. Describe any challenges or obstacles you have dealt with and overcome in life and how this will help you succeed in building a business. Also in the essay describe how your business will serve the African American Community

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## STATEMENT OF ACCURACY FOR STUDENTS

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that if chosen as a scholarship winner my picture may be taken and used to promote **The Wichita Heartland Black Chamber of Commerce's** scholarship program. (Winner may waive photo due to unusual or compelling circumstances.)

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, according to **The Wichita Heartland Black Chamber of Commerce** policy, I must be present at any potential awards ceremony or reception in April 2019 to receive my scholarship award.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, according to **The Wichita Heartland Black Chamber of Commerce** policy, it is my responsibility to submit to **The Wichita Heartland Black Chamber of Commerce** the appropriate information for my scholarship to be paid directly to my educational institution for my first semester.

I hereby understand I will not submit this application without all required attachments and supporting information. Incomplete applications or applications that do not meet eligibility criteria will not be considered for this scholarship.

Signature of scholarship applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## STATEMENT OF SUPPORT BY GUIDANCE COUNSELOR

I hereby affirm that this application meets the criteria set forth by this scholarship program and that I submit this application to **The Wichita Heartland Black Chamber of Commerce**.

Name of Guidance Counselor submitting the application: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact information (email and phone): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Guidance Counselor: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Checklist

- Application
- Essay
- Resume/Activity Sheet
- Guidance Counselor signature
- School Transcript

**MAIL COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKAGE TO THE FOUNDATION AT:**  
***The Wichita Heartland Black Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Committee***  
**6505 E. Central Ave Ste. 283**  
**Wichita, KS 67206**

### **REMINDER:**

**The deadline for this application to be received by *The Wichita Heartland Black Chamber of Commerce* Office is:**

**March 30, 2019, 4:00 p.m.**

**NO EXCEPTIONS!**