2024 STEM Girls Like Me! Scholarship

Stimulating, Transpiring, Emerging, and Motivating, the 'NATURAAL" thing to do!

NATURAAL is a non-profit organization founded to *N*urture, *A*spire, *T*each and *U*plift the *R*adiance of *A*frican-*A*merican *L*adies. Our mission is to provide a community of support to African-American ladies pursuing STEM-related careers. Our aim is to identify African-American young ladies with goals of pursuing higher education and connect them to women in their respective fields. Through active mentorship and guidance, NATURAAL hopes to create a network that will assist and inspire women to become leaders in STEM careers paths.

The STEM Girls Like Me! Scholarship will be awarded to four, female, African-American, graduating seniors from 4 select schools/districts to aid in transitioning to post-secondary education. The reward will be for the first year only and can be up to $1000.00, paid in two parts. The first award can be up to, but not exceeding, $500 to be paid prior to the beginning of the first term of the first year. The second reward can also be up to, but not exceed, $500 paid at the beginning of the second term (See **Criteria for Payment** listed below). Recipients are encouraged to use funds for purchasing items such as textbooks, computers, and any other scholastic needs or items for their dormitory.

Criteria for Payment:

1. **First Payment:** Awardees must provide proof of official acceptance from the college of her choice in order to receive first payment.
2. **Second Payment:** Students must submit her college transcript as proof of a 2.7 or higher GPA from the first semester.

We also highly encourage but *do NOT require* awardees to:

A. Meet with a mentor from the list provided at least once
B. Provide a professional photo of herself to display on our social media

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Criteria for Applicant: Applicants must be a high school senior who self-reports as Black/African American female. Applicants must pursue a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) related career.

Application and Required Documents Submission: Deadline is May 15, 2024.

1. Completed Application. Only completed applications submitted by the deadline will be considered. Please use the following link to complete application electronically: https://forms.gle/vCpYvRv3rDst5xP89

2. Submit current high school transcript. No minimum SAT/ACT score is required.

3. Notification of Award: Awardee will be notified by May 27, 2024.

If you have any other questions, please email us at naturaal.program@gmail.com.

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Scan to apply!