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Greetings from our Chapter!

The Maj Gen Joseph A. McNeil Chapter, Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. is proud to announce the availability of Tuskegee Airmen Scholarship Foundation (TASF) Scholarships. The scholarships are given in honor of the Tuskegee Airmen; and other persons who have made significant contributions in the field of aviation, aerospace, science and technology.

The TASF Scholarship is a need-based scholarship. It is open to all college bound high school seniors. Application criteria includes the student's academic achievement, extracurricular activities, community service, letters of recommendation, essays and consideration of the student's financial need. The earnest desire of the Foundation is to offer financial assistance to students in pursuit of their educational goals who have a for financial assistance.

Our Chapter would be pleased for you to complete the application package. **Prior to starting work on the application package, please take the time to read the front and back of all items included in this package.** The Foundation's application document, TASF Form 62 (bottom of front page and the back page), outlines the scholarship's application instructions, selection and notification procedures. It is important for you to follow these instructions as given. You may contact the Chapter at any time to clarify any area of the application or the application process.

The deadline for returning your application package to the Chapter is **January 15, 2025**. Prior to sending your application package, please use the Application Package Completion Checklist. This checklist helps ensure you have all items ready for submission. I also suggest you complete your package as soon as possible, give me a call and let me review all your work. I will give you feedback that might help improve the application.

Feel free to call or email at any time. Once again, thank you for applying and continued success in all your endeavors.

Sincerely,

Roy Swygert, Scholarships and Educational Assistance
(C) 478-662-7100; (W) 478-926-3911; roswyg@gmail.com

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NOTE: Please see the Package Completion Checklist on the following pages. The checklist will help you provide a complete application package.



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MGJAMCTAI Application Package Completion Checklist

NOTE: Your application package is due to the Chapter on or before **January 15, 2025.**
You should use this checklist to ensure completion of all requirements for the application. Please send your package to the address above. Thank you

Check off each item to confirm your application package is complete

- I read pages one and two of the application (TASF Form 62) to understand the requirements. The application is completed entirely in black ink. **Do not staple**
- I printed the application as two sheets (please do not duplex print the application)
- I enclosed an OFFICIAL copy of my high school transcript and senior year schedule
- I enclosed a copy of my parent(s) **latest** IRS Form 1040 through the adjusted gross income line or other **OFFICIAL** document (W-2/W-4 not acceptable); SSN is blacked out
- I enclosed three Letters of Recommendation (from Community or Business Leaders, Non-Profit organization staff member, Teachers, Counselors, Instructors, etc.)
- I enclosed the Tuskegee Airmen Essay (typed, double spaced, not to exceed one page, with one inch margins)
- I enclosed a Personal Essay (typed, double spaced, not to exceed two pages; with one inch margins; ensure you state why financial aid is essential)
- I enclosed a list of Extracurricular and Community Activities
- I retained a copy of my completed application package for my records
- I signed the application. Also, my parent(s) or guardian signed the application
- The appropriate school official (e.g. guidance counselor) signed the application
- I placed my application in a secure folder for mailing or turn in to the Chapter.

If you have questions about your application, please feel free to contact us at any time.

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email the Chapter at mjamctai@rocketmail.com



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Questions concerning the Tuskegee Airmen Scholarship Foundation (TASF) Scholarship

Q: What type of scholarship is this?

A: This is a need-based scholarship. Financial need is a key criteria for the award of the scholarship.

Q: Who provides this scholarship?

A: The Tuskegee Airmen Scholarship Foundation located in Los Angeles, CA.

Q: Why is the scholarship provided?

A: To assist students with a financial need; and to honor the Tuskegee Airmen for their contributions to the war effort and to their country.

Q: Who do I work with locally concerning the scholarship application?

A: Maj Gen Joseph A. McNeil Chapter, Tuskegee Airmen, Inc., (Attn: Roy Swygert)

Q: Where can students obtain an application?

A: Applications may be obtained from high school guidance counselors, Chapter members and from the Education/Scholarship Chairs of participating organizations.

Q: Do I or my parents have to be Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. members to apply?

A: No, you do not have to be a member of Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. or The Chapter.

Q: Who is eligible to apply for the scholarships?

A: All high school seniors, graduating in 2025, are eligible to apply.

Q: What is the selection criteria?

A: Each application package is scored using the following criteria.
Academic Achievement (3.0 or higher GPA; standardized test scores: SAT or ACT)
Extracurricular Activities/Community Involvement
Relative Financial Need
Essays: Personal and Tuskegee Airmen and three Letters of Recommendation

Q: What documents are included in the student's application package?

A: The student will receive a package containing the following items.
Chapter Cover letter, Scholarship Questions and Answers
MGJAMCTAI TASF Scholarship Checklist, TASF Scholarship Application (Form 62)

Q: When are the applications due to the Chapter?

A: The application is due to The Chapter no later than **January 15, 2025**; mail to this address.
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Q: What should I do if I cannot mail my application?

A: Please contact Roy Swygert to arrange pick up of your application package (see bottom of next page for contact information)

Q: Why do you require me to turn in the application earlier than the date on the Form 62?

A: The Chapter reviews each application thoroughly. The review takes time. After the review, we will contact you to revise items in your package. Therefore, we need the additional time to ensure your application package is as good as it can possibly be.

Q: How can I ensure my application package is complete?

A: Include all items identified on the **MGJAMCTAI Application Package Completion Checklist**.

Q: How should students return the completed application package to the Chapter?

A: The student may mail the application to the address in the header on the first page. Please place your application package in a manila folder. This will ensure it looks its best. If the student received the application from a Chapter member, the student may return the application to the Chapter member. The student may arrange for pickup w/the Chapter's Scholarship Chairman.

Q: What happens after I submit my application?

A: The application is scored by the Chapter. The Chapter's top five applications are sent to the Tuskegee Airmen Scholarship Foundation. The TASF receives scholarship applications from over 50 Tuskegee Airmen Chapters, nationwide. From these applications, the TASF selects 40 students to receive a \$1500 scholarship. This is a one-time scholarship.

Q: Will students be able to verify their applications have been received by the Chapter?

A: Yes, The Chapter will notify each applicant that the application has been received.

Q: How many scholarships will be awarded and what is the award amount?

A: The TASF will award 40 \$1500 scholarships.
The Chapter may nominate 5 students for these scholarships.

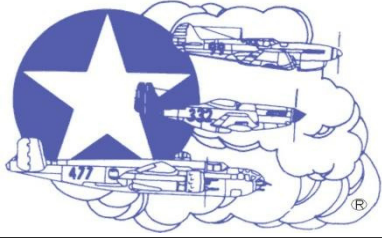
Q: When will the recipients and non-recipients be notified?

A: Notification from the TASF Board of Directors will occur in late April or early May. If your application is forwarded to the TASF for their consideration, you will be notified of your selection. You may also check on line at the following url.
<http://www.taisf.org/awardee.htm>

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**2025 APPLICATION FOR TUSKEGEE AIRMEN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION
SCHOLARSHIPS**

Return Completed Application **NOT LATER THAN JANUARY 27, 2025** to:



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ADDRESS: P. O. Box 6165 Warner Robins, GA 31095-6165
ATTN: Roy Swygert (roswyg@gmail.com)

PART I (To be completed by Student Applicant) I hereby apply for assistance from the Tuskegee Airmen Scholarship Foundation

Name: _____ D.O.B. ____/____/____ Sex ____ Ethnicity _____ Last 4 SSN _____

Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ E-mail address: _____

Name of High School: _____ Telephone: _____ Grad. Date: ____/____/____

Participated in: Junior ROTC Program Civil Air Patrol BSA, GSA, or Explorer Scouts

Name of College or University I plan to attend: _____

Intended Major: _____ Minor: _____ Career Objective: _____

Permission is granted to send copies of this application to other agencies having scholarship programs? Yes _____ No _____

Signature of Student Applicant _____ Date: ____/____/____

PART II (To be completed by student applicant's Parent, Parent in Loco Parentis, or Guardian)

Name: _____ Address: _____

Number of members in immediate family: _____ Other Family Members currently attending college: _____

Total Family Annual Income (salaries, business incomes, rents, annuities, pensions, interest, etc.): _____

I certify that the above information is correct. Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____

PART III (To be completed by School Official) Convert GPA to 4.0 scale and indicate both weighted and unweighted.

GPA _____ SAT Score ____/____/____ ACT Score _____

I certify that the Grade Point Average, SAT score, ACT score, senior year schedule and first semester grades are correct.

Signature: _____ Title: _____ Date: ____/____/____

ATTACHMENTS REQUIRED:

1. An **OFFICIAL Copy** of Student's High School Transcript, senior year schedule
2. A copy of parent(s)' **latest** IRS Form 1040 (**2024 preferable but 2023 acceptable**) through **adjusted gross income line** or other **OFFICIAL** document (**W-2/W-4 not acceptable**); **SSN should be "blacked out"**
3. Three Letters of Recommendation (**From Counselors, Instructors, Community Leaders, etc.**)
4. "The Tuskegee Airmen" Essay (**include how their experience impacts you**) (Typed, double spaced, not to exceed one [1] page)
5. A Personal Essay (Typed, double spaced, not to exceed two [2] pages)
6. List of Extracurricular and Community Activities (including Junior ROTC, Civil Air Patrol, BSA, GSA or Explorer Scouts)

PLEASE READ THE GENERAL INFORMATION, INSTRUCTIONS, AND REMINDER ITEMS LOCATED ON PAGE 2

GENERAL INFORMATION, INSTRUCTIONS AND REMINDER ITEMS

Background Information: Tuskegee Airmen, Incorporated™ is a unique organization dedicated to the preservation of the history of African American Veterans whose service during World War II demonstrated to America that the criteria for responsible citizenship are character and achievement rather than ethnic origin. Although incorporated in Washington, D.C., the organization consists of many chapters and a National Museum at Moton Field, AL. The Tuskegee Airmen Scholarship Foundation is located in Los Angeles, CA.

Each year the Tuskegee Airmen Scholarship Foundation grants scholarship awards to deserving young men and women. Each year the number of available scholarship awards is directly related to income received from investments. Forty (40) awards of one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) will be available in 2025. The \$1,500.00 awards are for one year only.

Eligibility Requirements: Applicants must be students of accredited high schools who have graduated or will graduate in the school year 2024 - 2025. Additionally, **applying students must have a GPA of at least three points (3.0) on a four-point scale.**

Application Procedure: Application forms and instructions may be obtained from high school guidance counselors or the **nearest Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. Chapter**. Completed applications must be returned to the specific address indicated on page 1 of this application or to the nearest Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. Chapter, **on or before January 27, 2025**. Each applicant must complete the entire application and provide all attachments **listed on the bottom of the application form**.

- The applicant must include a single page essay entitled “The Tuskegee Airmen” which reflects an overview of their history and how their experience has impacted the applicant personally. Essays must be typed, double-spaced with 1-inch margins on 8.5” x 11” paper. Please note, all attachments to application **must not** exceed 8.5” x 11” in size.
- Additionally, Each applicant must submit a two (2) page personal essay containing: a biographical sketch, educational aspirations, career goals and an explanation of why financial aid is essential.
- To validate the financial status of the applicant, a copy of parent(s)’ **latest** IRS Form 1040 **through adjusted gross income line** must be included in application package. **Please do not send the entire return**. If not required to file Form 1040, provide **official** alternate source document to verify income, such as statement from Public Social Services, Pensions or SSI (**W-2 or W-4 not acceptable**). **SSN should be “blacked out”**.

Selection Procedure: Applications for scholarship assistance received by individual chapters of Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. are screened, verified as deemed appropriate, and competitively evaluated. Application files determined worthy of further consideration are forwarded to the Tuskegee Airmen Scholarship Selection Committee for National Competition. A scholarship selection committee, composed of several members from each Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. Region, evaluates individual applications. Using a scale of one hundred (100) points, the committee considers academic achievement, extracurricular and community activities, relative financial need, recommendations, and both essays to competitively rank applicants.

Notification Procedure: Finalists (selectees and non-selectees) will receive individual notices of final results from the Tuskegee Airmen Scholarship Foundation Board of Directors.

Award Payment Certification: Scholarship awardees may enroll in the institution of their choice. **Once the awardee has enrolled and started classes at their chosen institution, the student must send a verification of enrollment signed by the school registrar to the following address: Tuskegee Airmen Scholarship Foundation, P.O. Box 881780, Los Angeles, CA 90009**. When the required verifications have been received, the award payments, made payable to the student, will be mailed to the address designated by the student.

Award Payment Limitation: Unless otherwise approved by the Tuskegee Airmen Scholarship Foundation, all scholarship awards must be paid within one year from date of selection notification.