

OPEN: April 7, 2025 – May 2, 2025



The Academic Achievement Award honors students who exemplify not only academic excellence but also unwavering determination and resilience. This award is reserved for those who demonstrate outstanding scholastic achievement, strong leadership, a heartfelt commitment to community service, and—above all—a spirit that seeks to endeavor to persevere. These students rise above obstacles, turning challenges into stepping stones on their path to educational success. We celebrate not just their accomplishments, but the courage and character that define their journey. Unlock Your Future with a \$10,000 Scholarship! distributed over four years, offering \$2,500 annually.



Scholarship Eligibility Checklist

✓ Eligibility Criteria

- Must identify as African American
- Must be a graduating high school senior
- Must reside within the service area of the Austin (TX) Chapter
- Must have been accepted to a 4-year college or university
- Must not be related to a member of the Austin Chapter
- Must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale)

📄 Required Documents

- Official high school transcript
- Academic résumé emphasizing:
 - Leadership roles
 - Civic engagement
 - School involvement
 - Scholarly achievements
- Two letters of recommendation:
 - 1 from a school representative (teacher, counselor, or administrator)
 - 1 from a community leader/organization outside of school
- Personal essay (1,000 words max)
 - Share a transformative experience
 - Describe why you're a compelling candidate for this scholarship
- 30-second video submission
 - Highlight your involvement in STEAM or academic excellence
 - Explain how this scholarship will help support your educational goals

🎓 Field of Study & Community Engagement

- Must intend to pursue a degree in a STEAM field:
 - Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, or Mathematics
- Must be actively involved in:
 - STEM or Arts initiatives at school or in the community
 - Community service activities

How to apply TODAY:



Applicants may complete and upload the application online:

OPTION 1



<https://theaustinlinks.org/scholarships/>



Applicants may download the application and send via email to:

OPTION 2



atxlinksscholarship@gmail.com



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