



STEM/STEAM Future Innovators Scholarship Application

To: **SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS**

From: Amplify Film Studies - Because You Matter

Subject: 2026 STEM/STEAM Future Innovators Scholarship Application Guidelines

Deadline: All application material must be submitted **by April 16th, 2026**. Applications must be mailed or emailed no later than **11:59pm April 16th, 2026**. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

Thank you for your interest in the **STEM/STEAM Future Innovators Scholarship**. The STEM/STEAM Future Innovators Scholarship purpose is to assist and support African American students who plan to major in **Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, or Mathematics (STEM/STEAM)** and attend a 4-year college/university or a 2-year community college.

Students who demonstrate academic commitment, perseverance, creativity, and a desire to use STEM/STEAM skills to make a positive impact.

The scholarship will be for one academic year and will be awarded to one recipient to cover education-related expenses (e.g., fees, tuition, books, and meals). Applicants must meet all requirements and include all items in the list as follows:

Eligibility Requirements

- Applicants must be a current high school student/graduating senior in the United States Region
- Plan to major in a STEM or STEAM field in college.
- Be in good academic standing.
- Complete and submit all application materials by the deadline.

Application Instructions

Applicants must submit **all the following materials**:

1. Completed Application Form

- All sections of the application must be filled out completely and accurately.
- Applicant must have applied and been accepted to a four-year college or university or attend a community college for the scholarship year 2026.
- Verification of acceptance to a four-year college/university or a 2- year community college must be submitted with the application.
- Official transcript that includes a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher. All Grade Point Averages are based on a 4.0 unweighted scale.
- Two letters of recommendation from:
 - Past or present teacher, principal, or counselor
 - Sponsor of an organization (school or non-school) in which the applicant has been active.

RECOMMENDATION LETTERS FROM FAMILY MEMBERS ARE NOT PERMITTED



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2. Essay Response

- Applicants must submit a typed essay responding to **1 of 2** essay topics:
 - **Essay Option 1:**
Identify a real-world problem you want to solve through a STEM or STEAM career. Why does this problem matter to you, and how do you hope to address it?
 - **Essay Option 2:**
Describe a project, idea, or experience that sparked your interest in STEM or STEAM. What did you learn from it, and how did it influence your future goals?
- 500–750 words - Typed, double-spaced - 12-point font (Times New Roman or Arial) - Include applicant's name on the document.
- A wallet- size picture of the applicant

Award Notification

The selected recipient will be notified by April 30th, 2026, via email or phone. Award details and distribution information will be shared at that time.

Submission Instructions

All application materials must be submitted by the deadline using **one** of the following methods:

Email submission to: amplifyfilmstudiesbym@gmail.com

Any inquiries should also be sent to the email address.



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APPLICANT INFORMATION

1	Last Name: _____	First Name: _____
2	Mailing Address: Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____	
3	Daytime Telephone Number: () _____ Email address: _____	
4	Name of parent or guardian (print): _____ Parent or guardian (signature): _____ Mailing Address: (If different from above) Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____	
5	Current High School: _____ Grade Point Average (GPA): _____ (on a 4.0 scale) <i>(Attach proof of GPA; you're most recent official high school transcript required).</i>	High School Graduation Date: _____
6	College You Plan to Attend: 1. _____ 2. _____ Anticipated College Major: 1. _____	



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	<p>2. _____</p> <p>Career Objectives/Goals:</p> <p>1. _____</p> <p>2. _____</p>												
7	<p>School Extra-Curricular Activities: Please list school extra-curricular activities in which you have participated from grades 9th- 12th. (<i>School, Civic, Religious, Social Organizations, etc.</i>)</p> <p>1. _____</p> <p>2. _____</p> <p>3. _____</p> <p>4. _____</p> <p>5. _____</p>												
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10	References/Recommendations: Please submit two letters of recommendations. <i>(This would not include family. Can include employers, family friends and community leaders).</i>
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APPLICANT CERTIFICATION AND CONSENT

I certify that I am a graduating senior in good standing at _____ High School and expect to enroll at _____ University/College/Community College in September of the year immediately following my high school graduation. I also certify that the information in this application is accurate. My signature on this application indicates that I was informed that a transcript of my grades will be required for the purpose of this scholarship application.

Applicant Name (Print): _____

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____



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VIDEO/PHOTOGRAPHY AUTHORIZATION AND RELEASE

I/We, _____ (“Parent/Guardian”), as parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of _____, give permission to Amplify Film Studies- Because You Matter to publish on the internet or in media still photographs taken of my child during activities specifically related to STEM/STEAM Future Innovators Scholarship, without payment or any consideration and without notifying me.

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I hereby waive all rights of inspection or approval regarding any recording, taping, reproduction, proposed printed, audio or video publication, and/or other use of my name and the Performance. I also hereby release, discharge, and agree to hold harmless the Licensed Parties from and against any and all liability to me or any third parties resulting from their use of my name and the Performance. I agree that my participation herewith is voluntary, and I assume complete responsibility for my actions in connection herewith.

Nothing herein shall constitute any obligation on the part of the Licensed Parties to make any use of any of the rights granted herein.

This Authorization and Release shall be governed by the laws of the State of California, without regard to principles of conflicts of law thereunder.

I hereby affirm that I have fully read and fully understand and consent to the above statements.

IF YOU ARE UNDER THE AGE OF 18, THE FOLLOWING SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED:

I represent that I am a parent or legal guardian of the minor who has signed this Consent Agreement, I hereby consent and agree that we both shall be bound thereby.

PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

Signature

Date

Name (Please Print)

Address

Phone Number

Email Address