



PUSH/EXCEL
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Scholarship Application

Please read [Eligibility](#) and [Criteria](#) before proceeding with this form. All fields require content input

Choose the scholarship you are applying for:

Applicant's Full Legal Name:

First Name

Middle Name

Last Name

Gender: Male Female

Date of Birth:

Social Security Number:

Race/Ethnicity: (You may only check one, even if you identify with more than one of these groups)

- African American American Indian/ Alaska Native
 Hispanic American Asian Pacific Islander American
 Other

Permanent Home Address (No P.O. Boxes):

Street Address

Apt. #

City

State

Zip Code

Country

Phone Numbers: (area code first; no dashes or spaces)

Permanent

Alternate

Email Address:

Student

Parent/Guardian

Current School:

School Name

Phone Number

Legal Status - US Citizen: Yes No

Educational Information:

College/University Attending or have been accepted to

Address

City

Major

State

Zip Code

Minor

Incoming Year Classification Status

Anticipated Graduation Date

(MM/YYYY)

ex. 06/2004

Cumulative GPA:

(4.00 Scale)

SAT Score:

ACT Score:

Essay (min. 500 words; Attach on separate page(s)).

Identify five prerequisites for success and explain in detail your personal philosophy for the pursuit of excellence. Explain how you will use your college education to achieve this pursuit of excellence.

Letters of Recommendation will be sent by:

Letter #1

Letter #2

Are you a [member](#) of Rainbow/PUSH? Yes No

I hereby certify the information provided in this application is, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct. I have not knowingly withheld any facts that would jeopardize consideration of this application, and can provide documentation to prove I am legally authorized to work in the United States. RainbowPUSH and PUSH Excel may use all information obtained from my entry for marketing purposes.

Printed Name:

Signature:

Date:

Return to: PUSH/Excel
950 East 50th Street
Chicago, IL 60615

Eligibility__All applicants must be:

- A U.S. citizen
- Enrolled in a full-time degree program (undergraduate only) at a college or university for the academic year commencing in the year in which the scholarship is granted. Students commencing their studies in the Fall are eligible.

In order for your scholarship application to be considered "complete" for our process, you must have the following documents delivered to our office via U.S. mail by 12:00 noon on April 16, 2010:

- Current H.S. transcript (or college transcript if already enrolled in college)
- Current ACT score sheet (unless already enrolled in college)
- Two letters of recommendation
- College or university acceptance letter to school you will be attending (or verification of enrollment letter if already enrolled in college)
- A copy of your proofed essay
- Please make sure you proof your essay so that it is free of grammatical errors, etc. Your essay is heavily weighed in this process. We wish you the best.
- Please note that your application will not be considered if we don't have all of the above by **April 16, 2010**.

Criteria__

All applications must be accompanied by the following documentation:

OFFICIAL APPLICATION

- Please print or type answers on the application
- All requested documents on the checklist must be attached to the application
- No faxed or emailed applications will be accepted
- This application should be postmarked by no later than 12:00 noon April 16, 2010
- The application can also be found online at www.pushexcel.org

APPLICATION QUALIFICATIONS__Applicants will be judged on the following criteria:

- Compelling Essay
- Academic Achievement
- Evidence of Leadership
- Community Service
- Grade report/transcript (most recent high school transcript for seniors, college transcript for post-secondary students)
- Two letters of recommendation (non-family)
- Proof of current enrollment or acceptance in a college/university (course schedule/admission letter, if applicable)
- Must provide a minimum 500 word essay including:

PERSONAL STATEMENT_(Please answer each question)

- Please tell us about yourself. What is your definition of leadership? Describe your personal achievements and accomplishments. Explain any obstacles you have overcome in your life and how they have made an impact.
- Why do you wish to attend college? What field of study do you intend to pursue? How do you plan to distinguish yourself as a leader in the future?

CONTACT US:

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VERY IMPORTANT...__

PLEASE NOTE:__Applications missing any of these materials will not be considered. Letters of recommendation that arrive separately will not be accepted. Scholarship winners will be required to submit proof of full-time college enrollment and Financial Aid award information before awards are disbursed.__

The PUSH for Excellence (PUSH Excel) Scholarship seeks to recognize students who have outstanding academic achievement, leadership and commitment to serve their community.