



SPHINX EDUCATIONAL FUND
2024
J. Eugene Grigsby, Jr. & R. Thomasena Grigsby
Scholarship Application

The Sphinx Educational Fund strives to recognize and support college-bound young men of African American/Black heritage or descent that have demonstrated a commitment to achieving and maintaining academic excellence.

❖ **JUDGING CRITERIA**

The following criteria will be used to evaluate each applicant.

- **Cumulative grade point average (GPA).** All applicants must have a 3.0 GPA or higher.
- **Personal essay.** All applicants must submit a personal essay of at least 500 words. This essay must include: (1) your career goals and what steps you have or are taking to achieve them, (2) your involvement in community service or volunteer work, (3) your participation in any extra-curricular activities, (4) work experience (if applicable), and (5) why you should be a recipient of this scholarship.
- **Community service.** Our organization believes that giving back to the community is an important aspect of one's self-development.
- **Letters of recommendation.** One letter should be from a teacher and the other an individual (i.e., coach, counselor, or mentor) that can speak to your character.
- **Mitigating factors**

❖ **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- Student must be a 2024 graduating high school senior.
- Student must be a male of African-American/Black heritage or descent.
- Student must be a U.S. Citizen and a resident of Maricopa County.
- Student must have a minimum cumulative grade point average of (GPA) of 3.0.
- Student must provide written proof of their full-time enrollment at a college or university before funds will be disbursed.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- The scholarship application is available online at: www.sphinxeducationalfund.org.



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- Applicants are encouraged to apply early for scholarship consideration. All completed applications materials **must be postmarked on or before June 1, 2024** for consideration. **Incomplete or late applications will NOT be considered for review.** Failure to adhere to the scholarship's guidelines will invalidate your application and it will not be considered for review.
- Submit a head-shot photo electronically to **info@sphinxeducationalfund.org**
- Submit a sealed **official transcript from the registration office.** (No fax copies or photocopies)
- **The Sphinx Educational Fund reserves the right to determine the final amount of scholarship awards and when funds will be disbursed.**



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APPLICANT INFORMATION

(Please print all information neatly and clearly)

Name _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Home) Permanent Address _____
(Street Address)

_____ E-mail: _____
(City) (State) (Zip Code)

Contact Number: _____ Date of Birth _____ / _____ / _____

Academic Information

Grade Point Average (GPA) _____ Class Rank _____ / _____

Expected Graduation Date _____ SAT/ACT Scores (highest) _____

Name of High School _____

High School Address _____
City State Zip

Collegiate Aspiration

Name of College/University () admitted () or applied

_____ Name Major or Concentration

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Are you applying for financial aid? If yes, please explain. _____



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PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Name _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Home) Permanent Address _____
(Street Address)

_____ E-mail: _____
(City) (State) (Zip Code)

Contact Number: _____

All completed applications MUST BE POSTMARKED BY June 1, 2024 or earlier in order to receive consideration. NO APPLICATION FEE REQUIRED.

TERMS & CONDITIONS:

Each candidate agrees that all awards will be at the sole discretion of the Scholarship Committee and the decision of the Committee is final.

IMPORTANT:

Please note that all applications must be submitted in a typed, double-spaced format using 10 or 12-point font only.

Please submit a professional head shot to info@sphinxeducationalfund.org. Your application submission authorizes the Sphinx Educational Fund (SEF) to use your photo or likeness on the SEF website, event program, and or marketing materials

MAIL APPLICATION TO:

SPHINX EDUCATIONAL FUND
P.O. BOX 25131
Phoenix, Arizona 85002-5131