



National Association of Buffalo Soldiers & Troopers Motorcycle Club (NABSTMC)



2024 Scholarship Program

<http://www.bsmcjaxfl.com>

The philosophy of the National Association of Buffalo Soldiers and Troopers Motorcycle Club is:

- To promote the history of African American veterans
- To be a positive role model for youth in our community
- To support our veterans by visiting local veterans, their families, and supporting our fallen heroes
- To support charitable organizations in our community
- To uphold the traditions and standards of the National Association of Buffalo Soldiers and Troopers Motorcycle Club
- To promote motorcycle safety in our community

The National Association of Buffalo Soldiers and Troopers Motorcycle Club (NABSTMC) is comprised of five (5) Frontiers (Northeast, Southeast, Great Lakes, Central, and Western), which encompasses 35 states to include Hawaii with an international chapter located in Germany. There are over 113 chapters organizational-wide.

The Jacksonville Chapter of the National Association of Buffalo Soldiers & Troopers Motorcycle Club (NABSTMC) will award three (3) Scholarships totaling \$2,500 to qualified and deserving applicants. The Chapter will forward the most qualified applicant to the NABSTMC SE Frontier to compete against other Chapter winners in the SE Frontier. There will be a total of \$5,000.00 awarded to each Frontier, and a single National Scholarship of \$5,000. Each local Chapter, within their respective Frontier, is allowed to send no more than three (3) scholarship application packets to their respective Frontier Scholarship Representative on or before the stated deadline. The NABSTMC will award a grand total of **\$30,000.00** in scholarships for the 2023- 2024 school year.

The NABSTMC will mail funds, on behalf of the student, upon verification of enrollment to a post-secondary/vocational/trade where the student will be attending. Scholarships will be awarded based on a completed application packet.

Each frontier winner will participate in an interview process and be vetted by the National Scholarship Committee to determine the National Scholarship Winner.

Instructions for candidates:

Completed applications and required documents must be attached as MS Word documents or scanned in a **PDF** format, in **ONE (1)** PDF file. **JPEG and GIF image formats will be rejected.**

The following are required to complete your application:

- Applicant must be an eligible Graduating High School Senior/GED recipient during the 2023 Fall / 2024 Summer school year who will be attending post-secondary or vocational/trade school in 2024 with a minimum **GPA of 2.0**.
- Attach or scan the completed application only (typically page 3 through page 5); do not include the

general information pages and instructions pages.

- Unofficial High School Transcript, Home School transcript, or GED Certificate.
- A 500-word essay on the topics described below.
- Letter of recommendation on official letterhead from a teacher/guidance counselor/school administrator, and/or employer (for GED).
- Letter of recommendation on letterhead from a community service organization
- A letter of acceptance to an institution of higher learning
- Signed Release Form (enclosed)
- Parent's signature if a student is under 18 years old
- Prepare a letter of introduction, who you are, your accomplishments to date, your family background, and the degree/certificate to which you are seeking. Provide a summary of how you plan to use the scholarship if selected. Also, incorporate, how this scholarship would benefit you in giving back to your community.
- Recent professional head-shot photo (In Good Taste)
- Provide Student's name, the complete name and address of the school and/or financial aid office where the student will be attending school, and the student ID number.

Essay Topics:

Write a 500-word essay (typewritten) on one of the following topics:

****Do not write about the Buffalo Soldiers or Troopers Motorcycle Club****

- A. What impact did the Buffalo Soldiers make in war and/or peacetime? Why is it necessary to pass this legacy on to future generations?
- B. Provide specific examples of how the Buffalo Soldiers facilitated the development of roadways, national parks, and mail service.
- C. The Congressional Medal of Honor is presented to the recipient by the President of the United States in the name of Congress. Please provide a brief narrative regarding a Buffalo Soldier who received this honor and what can be learned from his/her life, efforts, and commitment to duty.

Submit Application:

Applications may be downloaded from the Buffalo Soldiers Motorcycle Club Jacksonville website @ www.bsmcjaxfl.com. Under the tab scholarship, you will find the application and e-mail address to return the completed application. Completed applications and required documents must be attached as MS Word documents or scanned in **PDF format**, in **ONE (1) PDF file** and emailed to the respective email address, Bayoubelle@bsmcjaxfl.com by April 5, 2024. **Subject line is your full name, City and State.** Unofficial transcripts can be scanned in the PDF format. JPEG and GIF image formats will be rejected. Applications must be vetted and forwarded from the nearest local Buffalo Soldiers Motorcycle Club chapter- to the Frontier Chairperson.



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2024 Application
Application Deadline: April 5, 2024

Name of local National Association of Buffalo Soldiers & Troopers MC Chapter: **BSMC JACKSONVILLE FL**

Contact Information:

First Name:		Last Name:	
Address:			
City:		State:	
Zip Code:		Email:	
Home Phone:		Cell Phone:	
Date of Birth:		Parent Phone:	

Academic Information:

High School Name:		City / State	
Graduation Date:			

College Information (If you have not finalized your college choice, provide your first-choice school.):

College Name:		City / State:	
Institution Type:			
Certificate Four-Year Two-Year Vocational or Technical:			
Degree Sought: Associates Bachelors Certificate			
Major:			
Anticipated Graduation Date:			

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Applicant Service, Extracurricular Activities, and Work Experience:

Use this space to provide the applicant's volunteer service, extracurricular activities, and work experience during the applicant's academic career. **Do not attach a resume in lieu of completing this form. It will not be reviewed.**

Description			
Total Hours or Average Hours per week:		Are you still participating? (yes/no)	
Start Date:		End Date:	
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I understand that funds will not be disbursed to my school until I am in attendance during the first semester and provide proof from my school's enrollment division of my attendance. Applicant's Initial _____

Terms & Conditions:

I, _____, certify, to the best of my knowledge, that the information on this application is complete and accurate. Falsification of any information will cause my disqualification from the scholarship competition.

(1) It is my responsibility to make sure the application process is complete, and the entire application packet is sent or scanned to the nearest local National Association of Buffalo Soldiers & Troopers Motorcycle Club Chapter (located at www.BSMCJAXFL.com) by the required deadline. If not, the application may be disqualified from the scholarship competition and may not be considered for an award.

(2) This application, upon receipt, becomes the property of the program sponsor.

I agree that, if selected as an award winner for the National Association of Buffalo Soldiers and Troopers Motorcycle Club Scholarship Program, the program sponsor or its agents may use my name and likeness and any other information or materials provided in connection with this program for purposes of news, publicity, and advertising in all media, including but not limited to print and electronic media, press releases, internet websites and video media.

To comply with the provisions of the Family Educational and Privacy Act of 1974, I hereby grant permission for school officials to release secondary school records and other requested information, if necessary.

If you are under 18, your parent or guardian must also agree to these Terms and Conditions.

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent Signature: (if applicable) _____

** Local Chapter/Frontier must acknowledge receipt before sending to National Scholarship Committee.

Chapter JACKSONVILLE Signature _____