The National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc. Central Ohio Chapter (NC100BWCOC) advocates for Black women and girls in the areas of health, education, and economic empowerment to promote gender and racial equity.

The NC100BWCOC Annual Trailblazer Scholarship recognizes Black female high school seniors in public, parochial, charter, and private high schools in Delaware, Fairfield, Franklin, and Licking Counties.

The scholarship award is applicable towards tuition at any accredited, two or four-year institution or trade school. Priority is given to, but not limited to, students majoring in STEM related fields, demonstrating extraordinary leadership/community service, and students who display high academic achievement (based on cumulative GPA).

Requirements and Evaluation:

- Completed and signed scholarship application and photo release. Unsigned applications and photo releases will be considered incomplete and ineligible for the scholarship.

- High School Transcript: Eligible applicants must have a minimum 2.8 cumulative GPA and on track for graduation according to state requirements. Submitted transcripts must be signed by the school’s record office. Applicants must be classified as a high school senior planning to enroll in a two- or four-year program or trade school for the 2022/2023 academic year.

- Service and Leadership: Submit a list of extracurricular activities and community service. Service and Leadership are evaluated based on variety, balance, depth, and overall significance of the activities.

- Reference Letter: Must reference evidence of community service and leadership in the activities listed above; double-spaced, single sided, no staples, using the same 12-point font throughout.

- Essay Structure and Evaluation: Essays must be no more than 500 words, double-spaced, single sided, no staples, using the same 12-point font throughout. The essay must be titled with headers and page numbers. Each essay will be evaluated on content, grammar, spelling, creativity and responsiveness to the essay theme.
Choose one of the following essays:

☐ Essay Question: As a black female, what does diversity, equity and inclusion mean to you and how do you believe it impacts you now and will impact you in college and beyond?

☐ Essay Question specifically if attending and HBCU to be considered for the HBCU Scholarship: Why did you choose to attend an HBCU and what impact do you believe this choice will have on your education and your future beyond college?

Trailblazer Scholarship Application

A. Applicant Information: (Please print clearly)

Name: ____________________________________________________________

Last First M.I.

Date of Birth: __________________________________________________

Address: _______________________________________________________

City: ___________________________ Zip Code: ________________________

Telephone: ______________________________________________________

Preferred e-mail: ________________________________________________

Please provide your social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram) URLs:

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B. School Information:

High School: _____________________________________________________

What college / university are you planning to attend in the fall?_______________________________

C. Parent / Guardian Information:

Name of Parent(s) Guardian(s): _________________________________________

Address: _________________________________________________________

City: ___________________________ Zip Code: _________________________
Telephone: ____________________________  Telephone 2: ______________________
E-mail address: ___________________________________________________________

D. Graduation Status:

☐ Student has met the requirements for graduation.

Building Administrator or School Counselor (Print Full Name): __________________________

Building Administrator or School Counselor (Signature): __________________________

High school transcript should be submitted in a sealed envelope or emailed from the applicant’s high school.
Student (Applicant) Please read and sign:

By signing this document, I ____________________________________ hereby affirm that all of the information provided herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I fully understand that by providing false information and/or failing to provide all required materials may result in my disqualification of consideration for receipt of any NC100BWCOC financial assistance and/or services provided by NC100BWCOC.

By signing this document, I verify that my packet is complete. I understand that late and / or incomplete packets will not be considered. I understand that scholarship recipients are required to submit Fall 2022 enrollment verification in a two or four-year institution or trade school in order to receive the award.

By signing this application, I hereby acknowledge receipt and understanding of the guidelines set forth herein and agree to abide by the same. Further, the undersigned agrees to waive all personal claims, causes of action, and/or damages against NC100BWCOC and any and all of its representatives, including, but not limited to, its officers and associates, arising from or growing out of their participation in NC100BWCOC.

Signature: _______________________________  Date: _______________________________

Photo Release:
The National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc. Central Ohio Chapter (NC100BWCOC) has my permission to use me or my child’s photograph. I understand that the images may be used in print publications, online publications, presentations, websites, and social media. I also understand that no royalty, fee or other compensation will be paid.

Parent/Guardian’s Name: __________________________________________________________

Parent/Guardian’s Signature: __________________________________________________________

Date: _______________________

Student’s Name: ______________________________________________________________________

Scholarship Application Packet Checklist:
☐ Completed and signed scholarship application.
☐ Completed and signed photo release.
☐ High school transcript (signed and in a sealed envelope or emailed from the applicant’s high school).
☐ Essay (according to submission guidelines outlined above).
☐ List of extracurricular activities and community service; and,
☐ Reference letter

Submission:
All application materials must be submitted according to guidelines listed above.
Mail Scholarship Application to: NCBWCOC Scholarship Committee, P. O. Box 360951, Columbus, OH 43236
Or
Email Scholarship Application to: education@ncbwcentralohio.org. Include applicant’s name in the email subject line.

Applications postmarked after Date May 21, 2022 will not be considered.