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Dr. Ronald E. McNair Scholarship Applications Are Now Available

Houston, TX. – Carlo Anton Fontenot, Scholarship Chair of the ***Essential Friends Foundation, Inc.*** (EFF), announced that the Dr. Ronald E. McNair Memorial Scholarship Application Program is now available for graduating high school seniors.

Any high school senior residing in the Houston metropolitan area, who will be enrolled in a two- or four-year college or university, in the Fall of 2024, may apply. Interested students can apply online at EFF's website: essentialfriendsfoundation.org. The application can be found under the program section.

Each year, several scholarships are awarded by EFF ranging from \$1000 to \$4000. EFF is a non-profit organization committed to providing charitable, educational, civic, and social programs and services to the city of Houston. Our scholarship program is named and dedicated in honor of Dr. McNair, who was one of the seven astronauts killed when the space shuttle Challenger exploded in 1986.

The application deadline is **April 26, 2024.**

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Scholarship Application

Eligibility Criteria:

- Applicant must be a United States citizen.
- Applicant must be a resident of the Greater Houston Metropolitan area.
- Applicants must have applied for admission to and will be attending a full-time accredited post-secondary institution. Approved accredited institutions are defined as Title IV eligible, accredited, postsecondary two- or four-year colleges or universities, junior colleges, or community colleges in the United States.

Application Process:

- Application must be completed online.
- A copy of your Official High School Transcript(s) – Submitted by Counselor.
- A copy of your Official ACT and/or SAT Scores (Upload).
- Two letters of recommendations (One academic and one non-academic – Letters must be on a professional letterhead or business letter format).

Selection Criteria:

- Overall GPA
- ACT/SAT Scores
- Essay (Content and Quality)
- Leadership and Extracurricular Activities
- Video content and quality



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