**AURORA ACTIONAIRES FOUNDATION, INC.**

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

**P. O. BOX 894**

**AURORA, ILLINOIS 60507**

**Attention: African American High School Seniors January 31, 2024**

The Aurora Actionaires Foundation, Inc. is a nonprofit organization founded over forty-nine years ago by three African American women. One of the purposes of the Aurora Actionaires is to encourage high school graduates to continue their education. With this purpose in mind, the Foundation will award several scholarships to African American students based on academic achievement, need, community involvement, and accurate completion of the application. Students interested in applying for the Foundation’s scholarship must meet and complete the following criteria:

1. African American student must attend a high school in Aurora and be a current senior.
2. Student must have a minimum cumulative grade point average equivalent to a 2.0 or better on a 4.0 scale.
3. The student must request an official transcript be sent directly from the high school office online to [auroraactionairesfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:auroraactionairesfoundation@gmail.com). ***No transcripts submitted by the student will be accepted.***

**If your school requires transcripts to be mailed, the transcript must be requested by you, mailed from the school, and postmarked no later than March 15, 2024. *No transcripts mailed/submitted by the student will be accepted.* The school should mail the transcript by the deadline to**:

Aurora Actionaires Foundation, Inc.

Scholarship Committee

P.O. Box 894

Aurora, IL 60507

1. Two letters of recommendation must accompany your completed application. A former or present teacher, dean, principal, counselor, or employer may write a recommendation letter. The sponsor of a club or organization in which the student is actively involved may also write a letter.
2. The application including activities (community, work and extra-curricular), essay, letters of recommendation, and an official transcript from the high school must be emailed to [auroraactionairesfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:auroraactionairesfoundation@gmail.com) by 11:59 p.m. on March 22, 2024, to be considered for a scholarship.

If you have additional questions, please direct your inquiry to the Aurora Actionaires Foundation Scholarship Committee by email at [auroraactionairesfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:auroraactionairesfoundation@gmail.com).

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**2024 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

**NAME \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ HIGH SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**HOME ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**CITY, STATE, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**CELL PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ PARENT PHONE #\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**STUDENT (non-school) EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**PARENT(S) NAME \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**PARENT(S) EMAIL ADDRESS\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**NAME AND LOCATION OF COLLEGE OR TRADE SCHOOL YOU PLAN TO ATTEND**

**MAJOR COURSE OF STUDY IN COLLEGE: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**1. ON A SEPARATE SHEET TELL US ABOUT** *YOUR EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES,*

*COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT, WORK EXPERIENCES, ASPIRATIONS, HOBBIES, FAMILY AND FINANCIAL NEED.* ***Also, one of our scholarships is designated for a student with a disability or special need. If this applies to you, please include that information in this section of the Scholarship Application.***

**2*.*** *Based on your previous or current activities, write an essay explaining why you*

*deserve this scholarship and how you plan to continue supporting your*

*community once you have completed your degree.* **Your essay must be typed,**

**12-point font size and double-spaced with a maximum of 300 words.**

**NOTE: Please type your first and last name in the upper right-hand corner of**

**each attached page.**

**Please save and email your application and supporting documents in one packet with attachments to** [auroraactionairesfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:auroraactionairesfoundation@gmail.com) **by 11:59 pm March 22, 2024. Application information received after the deadline will not be considered.**

**SCHOLARSHIP CHECKLIST**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** I have a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) equivalent to

2.0 or better on a 4.0 scale.

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** I completed each section of the application.

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** I typed my essay. It is in 12-point font, double-spaced and a maximum

of 300 words.

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** I included a separate document with my extracurricular activities,

community involvement, work experiences, aspirations, hobbies,

family and financial need; including any disability or special need.

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  I have included two letters of recommendation with my application.

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  On this date, \_\_\_\_\_\_ I requested that my official transcripts be emailed

to the [auroraactionairesfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:auroraactionairesfoundation@gmail.com). If my school requires the transcript to be mailed, I have requested the school mail my official

transcript **post marked by March 15, 2024** to:

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**APPLICATIONS and DOCUMENTS MUST BE EMAILED BY: March 22, 2024**

**EMAIL COMPLETED APPLICATION AND ALL ACCOMPANYING MATERIALS TO**

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**ONLY COMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED**