



The VA Black Business Directory (VABBD) Youth Entrepreneur Scholarship

The VABBD is beginning the Young Entrepreneur Scholarship with the purpose of providing encouragement for young entrepreneurs in need of exposure and funding for either their education or furthering their business. This scholarship was created to help ambitious young people between the ages of 11-18 chase their dreams by providing a \$1,000 award.

To apply provide an essay about your Business (for-profit or non-profit), the inspiration behind it and why you believe it will succeed or continue to grow. The essay must also include reference to someone who has directly contributed to your ability to succeed as an entrepreneur (500 – 1000 words).

Selection Criteria: Essay, Ambition, Purpose, Vision

The Winner will receive a \$1000 scholarship and a 10x10 booth at the 2022 Virginia Black Business Expo.

9 Finalists will receive a 10x10 booth at the 2022 Virginia Black Business Expo

In addition the winner and 9 finalist will receive a free one (1) year listing in the VA Black Business Directory (VABBD).

The Essay must be provided in Microsoft Word, 1-inch margins all around and double spaced.

Additional Rules:

- Full Name
- Date of Birth
- Must be a District of Columbia (DC), Maryland (MD), or Virginia resident
- Physical Mailing Address
- Email Address
- Phone number
- School at which student is currently enrolled or to be enrolled
- Copy of most recent report card or unofficial transcript



Important Dates and Deadlines:

- Application Period Opens: Friday May 6, 2022
- Application Deadline: Friday May 27, 2022

FAQ:

Q. When is the scholarship application deadline?

A. The application deadline is May 20, 2022. Winners will be announced June 13, 2022.

Q. How will the scholarship award be paid?

A. Award checks will be presented during the Expo on Sunday August 7, 2022.

Q. Who should I contact with questions?

A. If you have any questions about the scholarship email info@vabbd.com and we will get back to you as quickly as we can.

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