



# National Association of Buffalo Soldiers & Troopers Motorcycle Club

## Shreveport LA Chapter

### 2024 Scholarship Program



The philosophy of the National Association of Buffalo Soldiers and Troopers Motorcycle Club (NABSTMC) 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 NABSTMC Shreveport LA Chapter Annual Scholarship Program is open to graduating seniors attending Caddo/Bossier Parish and surrounding area high schools. The scholarship award is a minimum of \$1,000 that may be used for qualified expenses at any institution of higher learning, to include tuition, books, fees, supplies, and equipment. The chapter scholarship committee will choose scholarship recipients based on a point system as determined by the quality of the essay, proposed use, and competitiveness of the candidate in relation to other candidates.

#### **Instructions for candidates:**

Completed applications and required documents must be attached as MS Word documents or scanned in a **PDF** format (in a single 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 Spring school year who will be attending post-secondary or vocational/trade school in 2024 with a minimum **GPA of 3.0**.
- 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 with who you are, your accomplishments to date, your family background, and the degree/certificate 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 where the student will be attending school, and the student ID number.
- Incomplete applications will automatically be eliminated.

## Essay Topics:

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

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.

**\*\*Do not write about the Buffalo Soldiers & Troopers Motorcycle Club\*\***

## Application Submission Process:

Submit completed applications and required documents to the NABSTMC Shreveport LA Chapter scholarship committee on or before the **deadline of March 1, 2024:**

Mail to: Shreveport LA Buffalo Soldiers & Troopers M/C Club  
PO Box 1053  
Shreveport, LA 71163

or

Email to: Michael Holmes  
[michaelholmes57@gmail.com](mailto:michaelholmes57@gmail.com)

Subject line of email is: **NABSTMC Scholarship, your full name, City and State.** Applications must be attached as MS Word documents or in PDF format ( in one (1) PDF file). *JPEG and GIF image formats are not acceptable and will be rejected. Incomplete applications will be rejected.*



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**2024 Application**  
Application Deadline: March 1, 2023

Name of local Buffalo Soldier Chapter: NABSTMC, Shreveport, Louisiana

**Contact Information:**

<b>First Name:</b>		<b>Last Name:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>			
<b>City:</b>		<b>State:</b>	
<b>Zip Code:</b>		<b>Email:</b>	
<b>Home Phone:</b>		<b>Cell Phone:</b>	
<b>Date of Birth:</b>		<b>Gender:</b>	

**Academic Information:**

<b>High School Name:</b>		<b>City / State</b>	
<b>Graduation Date:</b>			

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

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

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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.**

<b>Description</b>			
<b>Total Hours or Average Hours per week:</b>		<b>Are you still participating? (yes/no)</b>	
<b>Start Date:</b>		<b>End Date:</b>	
<b>Highest Position Held:</b>			

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## 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 local chapter of the Buffalo Soldiers Motorcycle Club 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 NABSTMC - Shreveport, LA

Signature \_\_\_\_\_