



Linked in Friendship, Connected in Service
Columbia (SC) Chapter

2020

Application Packet

Summer Program Scholarships

Deadline: Friday, May 1, 2020



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**Columbia (SC) Chapter, The Links, Inc.
2020 Summer Scholarship Application**

Overview and Eligibility: Links Summer Scholarships are awarded based on financial need. This scholarship is available to students ages 10 to 18. This scholarship will help fund a student to attend a summer camp or summer program of their choice.

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Mail to:

2020 Links Summer Scholarship Application.
Columbia (SC) Chapter, The Links, Inc.
P.O. Box 11193

Columbia, South Carolina 29211 OR Scan and email the completed application and required documents to bpinkston@yahoo.com by 11:59pm on May 1, 2020

Applicants must reside in Richland, Lexington, or Fairfield Counties

Student Information

First Name: _____ MI: _____ Last Name: _____

Gender: ___M___F___ Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Grade Level: _____ Name of School: _____ District: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip Code: _____ County: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell: _____ Email: _____

Name and Location of Desired Summer Program/Camp _____

_____ Program Cost _____

Student Statement

Please provide a 200-word statement explaining **how you would** benefit from a Summer Enrichment Program. Include any special circumstances that you feel will influence your financial situation. If selected, you **MUST** submit an acceptance letter and program costs. Your statement should be written on a separate sheet of paper, attached, and included in your packet.



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Recommendation

Please ask a qualified individual (e.g. teacher, school principal, pastor, counselor, community member) to complete this section. They are asked to submit a statement explaining why you would benefit from attending a Summer Program/Camp. An additional sheet of paper can be attached.

Name: _____

Position _____

Daytime Phone _____ Email Address _____

Address: _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____

STATEMENT _____

THE STUDENT’S PARENT OR GUARDIAN MUST SIGN THIS APPLICATION.

Parent/Guardian Signature- _____ Date: _____

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Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Columbia (SC) Chapter, The Links, Inc Summer Scholarship Program?

The Columbia Links feel that there is no better way for students, ages 10-18, to get a feel for the future than participating in summer programs. The goal is for summer program participants to gain valuable experiences, build new relationships and boost their admissions chances of attending college through these opportunities. This summer scholarship program is intended to offer financial aid for under-resourced students in Richland, Lexington, or Fairfield counties.

What is the Selection Process? The Links Summer Scholarship Committee will award scholarships, subject to available funding, based on the following:

- ✓ Submission of a complete application.
- ✓ Adherence to the eligibility criteria.
- ✓ School/Community representative's nominating statement

How Is Financial Need Determined? Financial aid is determined by family need and is intended to assist students who would otherwise not be able to attend a summer program or summer camp. Financial aid is awarded in the form of partial aid applied to the student's fees. The Links Summer Scholarship, in most cases, covers a portion of the total cost and families should be prepared to pay a majority of the program expenses. Students should talk with their guidance counselors and others in their communities about alternative sources of financial assistance.

How Can Funds from Links Summer Scholarship Program be Used? Funds MUST be used for the summer program selected. In most cases, The Links Summer Scholarships may NOT fully fund any programs or camps **but will provide assistance. Funds will be paid directly to the summer program/camp. A letter of acceptance and the total costs for the program must be provided, if the student is selected for a summer scholarship.**

How Do I Apply? Click on the Columbia Chapter of the Links, Inc. icon/link on your school districts website, download the application, complete, and return **Mail this completed application packet with a postmark on or before Friday, May 1, 2020 to:**

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How Will I Be Notified? All applicants will be notified by e-mail and will also be notified by U.S. Mail at the home address listed on the application.

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