



2022 Dana G. Woodley Scholarship

The Imani Pearls Community Development Foundation (IPCDF) is offering educational scholarship opportunities to high school seniors and undergraduate students who will continue their education at four-year institutions in the fall. IPCDF is offering the Dana G. Woodley Scholarship specifically to African American students who pursue a science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM)¹ education at a college or university. The applicant must have proof of permanent residency or school attendance in the Bronzeville, Douglas, Englewood, Grand Boulevard, Hyde Park, Kenwood, Oakland, or Washington Park community.

Scholarship Award

IPCDF will make a one-time award of \$5,000 to the recipient. The award check will be made payable to the scholarship recipient and awarded upon receipt of an official transcript and proof of enrollment in Fall of 2022.

<p><u>High School Seniors</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A completed scholarship application • Submission of a typed essay (450-500 words) <p><u>Essay Topic:</u> What is your highest professional or career aspiration within the STEM field? What inspired you to pursue this career and how will this scholarship help you reach that goal?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two letters of recommendation written during the current academic year (not dated before September 2021), addressed to IPCDF. One must be a character reference on official letterhead from a school official or a service organization with which you have volunteered. The second letter must be from an unrelated person of your choice • 3.5 Cumulative Grade Point Average or higher (unweighted) • The most recent unofficial transcript • An acceptance letter on official letterhead or an official email from the four-year institution you will attend during the 2022- 2023 academic year • Proof of all community service hours performed during your high school career (documented on an organization’s letterhead, formal correspondence from the organization, or noted on your high school transcript) • Proof of permanent residency or school attendance in the Bronzeville, Douglas, Englewood, Grand Boulevard, Hyde Park, Kenwood, Oakland, or Washington Park community 	<p><u>Undergraduate Students</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A completed scholarship application • Submission of a typed essay (450-500 words) <p><u>Essay Topic:</u> What is your highest professional or career aspiration within the STEM field? What inspired you to pursue this career and how will this scholarship help you reach that goal?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two letters of recommendation written during the current academic year (not dated before September 2021), addressed to IPCDF - One must be a character reference on official letterhead from a school official or a service organization with which you have volunteered - The second letter must be from an unrelated person of your choice • 3.5 Cumulative Grade Point Average or higher • The most recent unofficial transcript • Proof of all community service performed while in college (documented on an organization’s letterhead or formal correspondence from the organization) • Proof of permanent residency or school attendance in the Bronzeville, Douglas, Englewood, Grand Boulevard, Hyde Park, Kenwood, Oakland, or Washington Park community
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Submission Deadline: All application packets must be received by **Sunday, May 29, 2022.**

Applications and supporting materials must be uploaded to: <http://bit.ly/IPCDFScholarships2022>

¹ Source for defining STEM programming: <https://nces.ed.gov/pubs2009/2009161.pdf> (page 24)



2022 Dana G. Woodley Scholarship Application – High School Senior Checklist

Utilize this checklist to ensure your application packet is complete. Late or incomplete submissions will be disqualified. Return this checklist with your application packet. The information below also serves as general guidelines to assist applicants in understanding the review criteria.

1. A completed scholarship application with media release form
2. A typed essay (450-500 words)

Essay Topic: What is your highest professional or career aspiration within the STEM field? What inspired you to pursue this career and how will this scholarship help you reach that goal?

The essay will be assessed on the following:

- Adherence to essay topic
 - Favorable essay characteristics, such as compelling, interesting, and engaging
 - Spelling and grammar
3. Two recommendation letters written during the current academic year (not dated before September 2021)
 - One must be a character reference on official letterhead from a school official or a service organization with which you have volunteered
 - The second letter must be from an unrelated person of your choice
 4. A cumulative 3.5 Grade Point Average or higher (unweighted)
 5. The most recent unofficial transcript
 6. A copy of an acceptance letter on official letterhead or an official email from the four-year college/university you will attend Fall 2022
 7. Proof of all community service performed during your high school career (documented on an organization's letterhead, formal correspondence from the organization, or noted on your high school transcript)
 8. Proof of permanent residency or school attendance in the Bronzeville, Douglas, Englewood, Grand Boulevard, Hyde Park, Kenwood, Oakland, or Washington Park community



2022 Dana G. Woodley Scholarship Application – Undergraduate Student Checklist

Utilize this checklist to ensure your application packet is complete. Late or incomplete submissions will be disqualified. Return this checklist with your application packet. The information below also serves as general guidelines to assist applicants in understanding the review criteria.

1. A completed scholarship application with media release form
2. A typed essay (450-500 words)

Essay Topic: What is your highest professional or career aspiration within the STEM field? What inspired you to pursue this career and how will this scholarship help you reach that goal?

The essay will be assessed on the following:

- Adherence to essay topic
 - Favorable essay characteristics, such as compelling, interesting, and engaging
 - Spelling and grammar
3. Two recommendation letters written during the current academic year (not dated before September 2021)
 - One must be a character reference on official letterhead from a school official or a service organization with which you have volunteered
 - The second letter must be from an unrelated person of your choice
 4. A cumulative 3.5 Grade Point Average or higher (unweighted)
 5. The most recent unofficial transcript
 6. Proof of all community service performed during your high school career (documented on an organization's letterhead, formal correspondence from the organization, or noted on your high school transcript)
 7. Proof of permanent residency or school attendance in the Bronzeville, Douglas, Englewood, Grand Boulevard, Hyde Park, Kenwood, Oakland, or Washington Park community