

## **Beech Scholarship Fund Application**

**Deadline: April 7, 2017**

The Beech Scholarship Fund will award a \$1,000 scholarship to deserving, minority, students of color. The scholarship will be awarded to qualifying and deserving high school seniors entering Temple University, Cheyney University, Lincoln University, or Community College of Philadelphia as a full-time freshman; or, be a current full-time student at one of the four colleges for the fall 2017 academic year.

The funding commitment from the Beech Scholarship Fund sets a criterion that includes entering with a grade point average of 2.75 or higher and declaring a major in Arts, Business, Engineering, Education, or Liberal Arts, and are active in extra-curricular activities through their school, church, community or work.

### **To be eligible for the Beech Scholarship Fund a student must:**

- Be a U.S. citizen living in Philadelphia County
- Must be a permanent resident of Philadelphia County
- Graduate Students are not eligible to apply
- Out-of-state students are not eligible to apply
- Be a minority student of color
- Be a graduating high school senior from a Philadelphia public, private or charter school
- Be a current full time student at Temple University, Cheyney University, Lincoln University or Community College of Philadelphia
- Submit an official transcript with the school seal and an authorized official's signature (**High School seniors only**)
- Current college students must furnish a copy of current transcripts or grades and two signed recommendation letters from a professor, administrator, or faculty member of the attending University
- High School students must furnish two signed Scholarship Recommendation letters from instructors, counselors, or other professionals
- All applicants must submit a valid copy of your PA issued identification card or driver's license with application (a valid copy of your ID must be submitted with application and ID must show current Philadelphia address to be eligible)
- Submit an essay no less than 1000-words (essays with less than 1000 words are subject to rejection)
- High School seniors must submit a letter of acceptance from admitting University for the fall 2017 semester by June 1, 2017
- Submit a signed application (**applications must be signed with original signature**).
- No two-sided or electronic documents will be accepted

### **Essay Criteria**

Please type your essay and submit with application. Handwritten essays will be rejected. Applications must be completed using blue ink ONLY. Essay must be no less than 1000 words, doubled spaced (Times New Roman 12), and based on one (1) of the following questions:

1. Why are you a good candidate to receive this scholarship and what are your future goals?
2. How does your future goals relate to your field of study and why?