



African American Male Teacher Initiative APPLICATION

The Apple Pre-Ed Scholars Program, housed within Huston-Tillotson University's African American Male Teacher Initiative funded by Apple Inc., provides one year of scholarship support to high-achieving HT freshmen who intend to pursue a career in Education. Scholars are selected on the basis of financial need, academic performance, demonstration of leadership, commitment to service, and dedication to pursuing a career in the Education field. Total award will cover all tuition, fees, room and board for an academic year. Scholarships are eligible for max three-year renewal, dependent on meeting scholarship requirements, persistence towards graduation, demonstrated financial need, and availability of funding.

Who can apply?

To be eligible to apply, applicants must:

- Be a citizen, legal permanent resident, or national of the United States
- Identify ethnically as African American, or Black
- Identify as male
- Classified as a Freshman
- Be currently enrolled and in good standing at Huston-Tillotson University
- Minimum 2.5 GPA on an unweighted 4.0 scale
- ACT Composite Score of 18, or greater; or SAT score 900, or greater (Combined Evidence Based Reading and Writing, and Math)
- Program of study in Education
- Demonstrate a strong academic record and evidence of persistence
- Exemplify leadership and demonstrate a passion for improving representation of underrepresented groups in the field of Education
- Have demonstrated financial and unmet need as measured by the university

Application Checklist:

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- Submit a separate application for admission to Huston-Tillotson University
- Completed Apple Pre-Ed Scholars Program application
- Writing Sample responding to the prompt, “*African American Male educators are valuable to the community because...*” (requirements: minimum 700 -1000 words, double spaced)
- High School Transcript
- Two (2) letters of recommendation (a teacher and an academic advisor/mentor or community leader)

Mail Apple Pre-Ed Scholars Program application materials to:

Dr. Jennifer Miles, Director
The Center for Academic Innovation and Transformation
102 Evans Industrial Hall
Huston-Tillotson University
900 Chicon Street
Austin, Texas 78702

Questions and concerns can be directed to The Center for Academic Innovation and Transformation by calling (512) 505-6460, or emailing cait@htu.edu. Thank you for your interest in the Apple Pre-Ed Scholars Program at Huston-Tillotson University!

The Apple Pre-Ed Scholars Program
Huston-Tillotson University Application for the
2021-2022 Academic Year APPLICATION

DEADLINE IS MARCH 12TH, 2021

Submit your application by February 5th for priority consideration

1. **Personal Data** (please type or print neatly in ink)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Street City State Zip Country

Telephone: __ () _____ - _____ __ () _____ - _____

Home

Cellular

Email Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____

Gender (please circle one): Female Male Non-Binary Other

Mother's/Guardian's Name: _____

Occupation of Mother or Guardian: _____

Father's/Guardian's Name: _____

Occupation of Father or Guardian: _____

Number of Brothers: _____ Number of Sisters: _____

2. **Education Information** (please type or print neatly in ink)

High School: _____

Address of High School: _____

Size of Graduation Class: _____ Class Rank: _____ Graduation Date: _____

Grade Point Average (G.P.A.) [on a 4.00 scale] _____

ACT Score: _____ **SAT Scores:** Verbal _____ Math _____ Writing _____



Intended Major in College:

Career Aspirations:

If you have taken Dual Credit, Honors Courses, Advanced Placement Courses, or have participated in an Accelerated Program at your high school, list those courses, or programs:

- a) _____
- b) _____
- c) _____
- d) _____
- e) _____

(use back page to list additional courses)

3. Interest Profile (please type or print neatly in ink)

List two, or three memorable books you have read during the past two years:

- a) _____
- b) _____
- c) _____

List your school activities:

- a) _____
- b) _____
- c) _____

List your community activities:

- a) _____
- b) _____
- c) _____

Which cultural, educational or technical events have you attended in the past two years?

(Circle all that apply)

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|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> TEDTalk, or speaking event | <input type="checkbox"/> Technology Conference or Summit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student Government Association | <input type="checkbox"/> Academic Club |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Play | <input type="checkbox"/> Museum Exhibit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Symphony, or other musical concert | <input type="checkbox"/> Vocal or Dance Concert |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Speech & Debate | Other: _____ |



4. **Writing Sample**

Write an essay (approximately two (2) type-written pages, double-spaced, 1" margins using Microsoft Word) indicating why you want to become a Scholar in the Apple Pre-Ed Program at Huston-Tillotson University.

In your essay, respond to the prompt, *"African American Male educators are valuable to the community because..."*

Essay should be affixed, by paperclip, to this application.

5. **Recommendation Forms**

Two (2) Letters of Recommendations are required, one from a Teacher **and** one from an Academic advisor/mentor or community leader.



RECOMMENDATION FORM #1 (TEACHER)

Student Applicant:

Please complete the blank spaces on this form before providing to each individual who will recommend you. The teacher should send this completed form along with a separate letter of recommendation directly to The Center for Academic Innovation and Transformation, or the shared applicant may include the teacher's sealed letter and form in his/her/their application packet **by the March 12, 2021 deadline:**

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To the Teacher:

Your student, whose name is indicated below is applying for admission to the Apple Pre-Ed Program within Huston-Tillotson University African-American Male Teacher Initiative. Launched during the fall semester of 2020, the Apple Pre-Ed Program serves academically gifted and talented African-American males whose career focus is being a K-12 teacher, and accomplishments are indicative of their intellectual ability, motivation, and leadership ability. The program offers students scholarship assistance and a unique opportunity to enrich their undergraduate education through specialized curricula, career-oriented opportunities, professional development focused on educational technologies, service learning, and cultural activities.

Please assist us by indicating in your letter the student's qualifications for admission to our Program, including his/her/their academic ability, level of maturity, and leadership potential.

APPLICANT'S NAME: _____
APPLICANT'S HIGH SCHOOL: _____
RECOMMENDER'S NAME & TITLE: _____
RECOMMENDER'S EMAIL OR PHONE: _____

To the Applicant:

In accordance with the Family Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, you may waive your right to inspect this recommendation by signing the statement below. Should you decide not to waive your right, you will have access to the recommendation if you become a member of the Honors Program.

I hereby waive my right of access to this recommendation. I do not waive my right of access to this recommendation.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE: _____
DATE: _____



RECOMMENDATION FORM #2 (ACADEMIC ADVISOR, MENTOR, OR COMMUNITY LEADER)

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To the Recommender:

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