

# SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS

**BIACS** is pleased to offer several (\$1500 and \$1000) **Merit** and **Need based** scholarships to **graduating high school seniors** from the Commonwealth of Kentucky

Scholarship Applications will be accepted electronically through **April 30, 2021. The Application Window is now Open.** 

## Application submissions via the scholarship portal at www.biacs.org only

Scholarships will be awarded at the Bluegrass Indo-American Civic Society Annual Scholarship presentation. This year it will be a virtual presentation due to social distancing restrictions.

Awardees must join the event to accept the award at the presentation; failure to do so will result in the cancellation of the award. Contact <a href="mailto:scholarship@biacs.org">scholarship@biacs.org</a> for additional questions or further assistance.

#### Announcing new guidelines for the TOYOTA Scholarships

This year we will be recognizing four to six students as Toyota scholars and each will receive a cash award of either \$1000 or \$1500. To qualify a student must meet all the scholarships requirements listed below. In addition they must declare **Engineering** as their **college major**.

#### Announcing a scholarship for disabled/differently abled student

We are pleased to announce that in 2021, we have **one** scholarship for disabled/differently abled students. To be considered, in addition to below application requirements, you must be a student with a disability. Please address this in your Personal Essay and mention you are applying for this specific scholarship.

#### **Application Requirements**

- Minimum GPA: 3.0 (merit based), 2.5 (merit or need based)
- Resume: 2 pg limit, use of template resume is recommended
- Personal Essay: 250 word limit (tell us why you need this scholarship and any other information not covered in your resume) Helpful hints listed below
- Letter of recommendation: At least 1. Must show your name, address and name of your school. Must be written by a faculty member at your current academic institution, who is familiar with your academic standing and/or financial need. Letters by family members/relatives will not be considered.

• Need-based scholarship awardees must present proof of income upon request.

## Drs. Gopal and Mina Majmundar Scholarship Requirements

Restricted to graduating seniors from high schools in Martin, Floyd, Knott, Maggofin or Johnson Counties.

### Helpful Hints on writing the personal Essay and Resume

• <u>Essay</u>: Write about your passion in life and how you will use that passion to accomplish your goals in 250 words or less. For Need based applications, mention if you are a First generation college student from your family.

## For Merit Applications:

- <u>Excellence in Mathematics</u>: ACT Math score of 28 or higher; Maintains a GPA of 3.5 or higher in Mathematics; Interest in Math and pursuing higher studies in Math or Science related degrees in Engineering, Medicine, Pharmacy, Nursing, etc.; Participates in Math count either written or verbal (if available at institution); Excelled in Mathematics throughout high school.
- <u>Excellence in Science</u>: ACT Science score of 28 or higher; Interest in Science and pursuing higher studies in Math and Science related degrees in Engineering, Medicine, Pharmacy, Nursing, etc.; Excelled in Science throughout high school.
- <u>Leadership skills</u>: Active leader, volunteer, or member of local community groups, chartered school clubs, regional/state organizations, church or temple organizations; Activities may include KYA,, KUNA or other legislative organizations, Boy/Girl Scouts, Mayor's office.

#### For Merit/ Need Applications:

- GPA 2.5 or higher
- Proof of family income
- List Awards received
- <u>Leadership skills</u>: Active leader, volunteer, or member of local community groups, chartered school clubs, regional/state organizations, church or temple organizations; Activities may include KYA,, KUNA or other legislative organizations, Boy/Girl Scouts, Mayor's office.

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Greetings.

On behalf of the Bluegrass Indo American Civic Society, I would like to inform you about several scholarships that our organization offers to all Kentucky college bound high school seniors graduating this year.

BIACS is a non profit organization that was started in 1988. We awarded our first scholarship in 1989 and since then have awarded over \$325,000 in scholarships. Last year we awarded 19 Merit and Need Based scholarships ranging from \$1000 - \$1500. You can visit us at **Biacs.org** to learn more about our organization.

We invite your college bound high school seniors to submit their application through the portal on our website at <u>biacs.org</u>. The deadline is April 30, 2021. We will inform the students and the schools if they have been chosen for the scholarship. This year, in addition to merit and need based applications, we will be awarding several scholarships sponsored by Toyota to eligible students who will be majoring in engineering in college. We urge your students to apply as soon as possible.

I have attached a copy of our scholarship details for your reference. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you.Sincerely, Sharmila Shankar 2021 BIACS President

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