

# Tabor 100

## Culinary Arts Scholarship

### Application Instructions

#### Fall 2026-Spring 2027 Academic Year

The Tabor 100 Culinary Scholarship is a scholarship program hosted and operated by the Tabor 100 organization. Our Black Business Equity Fund partners play a role in supporting this scholarship.

There will be one [1] \$2,500 Culinary Arts Scholarship awarded, potentially renewable for a total of two years. [Maximum full amount: \$5,000 per scholar] Submit one application packet by **May 15, 2026**.

In selecting the Culinary Arts Scholarship recipients, the selection committee will follow the guidelines outlined below. These guidelines are deemed to be critical elements in assessing the achievements, character, and future potential of the candidates under review. Taken as a whole, they afford an excellent evaluation metric, and the selection committee should take care *not* to put any one element above all others.

#### Application Criteria

1. The candidates shall be African-American students, enrolled in or enrolling in an academic course of study that helps prepare them for a career in Culinary Arts.
2. All candidates will either 1] have a home residence within the Puget Sound area, or 2] be pursuing a course of study at a college or university within the Puget Sound area.
3. The candidates shall have a track record of high academic achievement and/or potential.
4. The candidates should be in clear financial need.
5. Each candidate's personal history and actions should be consistent with Tabor 100's mission:

*"Tabor 100 is an association of entrepreneurs and business advocates who are committed to economic power, educational excellence and social equity for African-Americans and the community at large."*

6. Each candidate's personal history and actions should reflect that he or she has created, or is working to create, something of benefit to the next generation.
7. Each candidate's personal history and actions should show a willingness to pass on their good fortune to others in need, and reflect a spirit of generosity.
8. Each candidate's personal history and actions should show that he or she is helping to build the community.

#### Recipient Selection

Applications are reviewed by a selection committee and all applicants chosen for interviews will be notified by May 29, 2026. Any interviews will be completed by June 6, 2026. Recipients are selected on the basis of leadership, participation in school, community activities, academic achievement, honors, financial need, work experience, statement of career and educational goals and recommendations. The number of scholarships awarded will be based on the recommendation of the Scholarship Selection Committee and available funds. All final applicants will be notified of the awards decision on or before June 13, 2026.

## **Scholarship Application Instructions** **Fall 2026-Spring 2027 Academic Year** (continued)

### **Application and Selection Process**

The Culinary Arts Scholarships are offered to undergraduate and graduate students in colleges within the Puget Sound area.

1. All applications will be reviewed and scored based personal statement and essay, letters of recommendation, applicant responses, GPA, possible interview, and thoroughness of the application package.
2. A Tabor 100 selection panel will review finalist applications and an in-person or telephone interview might be required for final selection.
3. Local award recipient[s] should be willing to attend an award event in Seattle, WA in September.
4. Application materials are attached, and are available for download at the Tabor 100 web site.
5. No applications will be mailed from or will be available in the Tabor 100 offices.
6. All completed application packages must be received at the Tabor 100 office not later than: **MAY 15, 2026.**
7. An email confirmation of receipt will be provided to each eligible applicant.

### **Applicant Responsibility**

Students should return the completed application, a current (or most recent) high school or college transcript, essay and other components to the Tabor 100 Scholarship Committee **on or before May 15, 2026.** Applicants are also responsible for assuring all necessary information is submitted in full by the deadline. The Scholarship Committee will review all completed application packets.

**All applicants must meet the Puget Sound area requirements to be considered for the scholarship.**

The application process opens on April 15, 2026, with all applications due on May 15, 2026.

Application components:

- 1] Cover letter / personal statement – Discuss how you meet the criteria for the Scholarships.
- 2] Essay: 500 words -- *What do you see as your role in serving as an inspiration for high school students of color in the culinary arts industry?*
- 3] Official Transcript from your current high school or college.
- 4] Resume.
- 5] 2 recommendation letters.
- 6] Interview -- If necessary, and selected as a finalist.

***Complete the following application packet and return it on or before May 15, 2026.***

**NOTE: This cover form must accompany the application.**

**2026 Tabor 100 Culinary Arts  
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

**PERSONAL**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
(type or print)

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(street) (city) (state) (zip code)

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(MM/DD/YY)

**College students attending school outside the Puget Sound:**

Local Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(street) (city) (state) (zip code)

Race/Ethnicity:  Black/African American  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Size of Your Household:                      Your Total Household Income:                      Your Personal Income:  
No. of Adults (18+) \_\_\_\_\_                      2025: \$ \_\_\_\_\_                      2025: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
No. of Children \_\_\_\_\_

**SCHOOL**

School name: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you now attending high school?  no  yes graduation date: \_\_\_\_\_ or GED date: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you/are you now attending college?  no  yes *If yes,  full-time  part-time*

College years completed: \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID# \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

**EMPLOYMENT**

Current/most recent employer: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates of Employment: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

I attest that the information provided in this application is true and correct and agree that any untruthful or misleading answers, or omission of fact, may result in rejection of this application. I authorize and release any former employers, teachers, schools, and any other persons or organizations to furnish the Tabor100 with information concerning my academic or work performance, skills, abilities, and character.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Tabor 100 Culinary Arts SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

**Due: May 15, 2026**

*Submit this application package with all required documentation to the appropriate address as noted below. Applications that have not been completed, signed and dated will not be accepted.*

### ***MAILING INSTRUCTIONS:***

Mail applications to the address as noted below.

Culinary Arts Scholarship Committee  
Tabor 100  
c/o 7100 Fort Dent Way, Suite 100  
Tukwila, WA 98188  
Phone: (206) 368-4042

### **Check List**

African-American students meet the initial requirements: (check all that apply)

- High school senior or with a high school diploma/GED residing within the Puget Sound area
- College or university undergraduate student within the Puget Sound area
- College or university graduate student within the Puget Sound area

**I have completed the required Scholarship application and have attached the following documents:**

- Application form
- Copy of my current or most recent school transcript
- Personal statement [cover letter addressing scholarship criteria]
- 500-word essay
- Copy of my personal resume
- Two letters of recommendation