ABOUT NSBE

The National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE), with more than 26,000 members, is one of the largest student-run organizations in the country. NSBE’s mission is to increase the number of culturally responsible Black engineers who excel academically, succeed professionally and positively impact the community.

NSBE comprises more than 300 chapters on college and university campuses, more than 80 Alumni Extension chapters and interest groups, and NSBE Jr. Chapters, in the U.S., Canada, Africa, England and the Caribbean. The U.S. chapters are divided geographically into six regions. NSBE had its genesis in April 1975 and was incorporated as a nonprofit organization in the State of Texas in 1976. NSBE also became recognized as a tax-exempt organization under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code in 1976.

ABOUT THE PRE-COLLEGE INITIATIVE PROGRAM

The Pre-College Initiative (PCI) Program is designed to stimulate the interest in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics fields, or STEM. The goal is to encourage students in grades K-12 to attend college and pursue technical degrees. Our PCI program provides activities to help students discover firsthand how engineering and technology relate to the world around them and discover the excitement of academic excellence, leadership, technical development and teamwork.

The objectives of the PCI Program are:
- To help students have a positive attitude toward academic excellence
- To stimulate enthusiasm about science, technology, engineering and mathematics
- To encourage K-12th graders to pursue degrees in engineering and other technical fields
- To increase the number of African Americans attending and graduating from college
- To encourage and support parental commitment to children’s education
- To raise cultural awareness among students

NSBE Jr. Chapters

NSBE Jr. is the formal membership category for NSBE’s pre-college students. NSBE Jr. Members may form chapters in their schools, churches or community organizations. Students not belonging to a chapter will be “at-large members.” Volunteers such as members of NSBE collegiate or Alumni Extension chapters, parents/guardians, teachers, counselors or school administrators act as advisors to provide support, guidance and assistance to chapters to implement projects and activities.

EXISTING PROGRAMS

Curriculum Materials
Included with NSBE Jr. paid membership, students will receive a variety of academic and technical materials. These materials include financial aid information; career counseling guides; the NSBE Jr. Toolkit, which includes step-by-step instructions on chapter development (available online); SAT/ACT Prep; self-paced college assessment and much more.

Scholarships, Competitions and Awards
NSBE offers several scholarships, competitions, and awards for NSBE Jr. Members. Scholarships and awards include the Leroy Callendar Award, the Golden Torch Award and many more. Try-Math-A-Lon, Science Fair and Model Rocketry are just a few of the competitions we offer throughout the year.

Pre-College Initiative Conferences
The PCI Program is divided into six regions, where conferences such as the Summer Camping Conferences and Fall Regional Conferences are held. Each spring, the national PCI Mini-Conference is held at the NSBE Annual National Convention. These Conferences have various activities, workshops and competitions promoting academic and technical development.

NSBE Bridge Magazine
NSBE Bridge serves as a resource promoting academic excellence; help with college preparation and providing information about science, technology, engineering and mathematics careers. NSBE Bridge was designed to answer questions young people frequently ask about college expectations and their future in engineering and other technical careers. NSBE Jr. Members receive a one-year subscription with their membership.
APPLICATION

To receive chapter-chartering information or to subscribe to the bridge magazine, please complete and return this card.

For membership and chartering documents, please visit www.nsbe.org/precollege

Name: ____________________________
Address: __________________________
City: ____________________________
State: __ Zip: _______________________
Phone: ____________________________
E-Mail (Required): ____________________
School: ____________________________

☐ Enclosed please find my $5 payment for The Bridge magazine (check or money order only)

☐ Please send me an electronic NSBE Jr. chapter-chartering package (email address required)

Checks and money orders should be made payable to: NSBE PCI Program

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How can you become a NSBE Jr. Member?

• NSBE Jr. members are students in grades 6–12

• Start or participate in a NSBE Jr. Chapter in your school, community, organization, etc.

• Obtain a membership by registering at www.nsbe.org

• Complete the online membership form along with $5 membership dues

If your school does not have a NSBE Jr. Chapter or you are unable to start one, you may still join as an "at-large member."

NSBE Jr. Benefits

• Discounted registration fees to NSBE’s annual conferences

• SAT/ACT prep courses

• Scholarship and awards opportunities

• Complimentary subscription to NSBE Bridge

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