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Dear Hiring Committee of the Hattie B. Black Women in Progress Program,
I'm excited to apply for the First-Year Summer Internship Application Form. As a student at Northern Arizona University with a passion for leadership, creativity, and community building, I'm eager to support a program that uplifts young Black women and creates a space where they can grow with confidence.

Throughout high school and now in college, I've been involved in basketball, marching, jazz, and symphonic band, drama club, advanced and competitive choir, law and public safety, SkillsUSA, mock trial, and student government. I was also accepted into a competitive college entrepreneurship program focused on business development and launching student-led ventures. These experiences strengthened my teamwork, discipline, and ability to connect with people from all backgrounds.

I love creating meaningful experiences for others. Whether helping with Band Hoco or supporting student government events, I've always enjoyed bringing people together and making sure everyone feels included which is something I hope to bring to BWIP as a mentor. My work experience has also shaped me in important ways. The role that taught me the most was working as a kennel tech and junior service dog trainer. Training young, often reactive dogs taught me patience, calm problem-solving, and how to read people and animals in stressful situations. I learned how to create structure quickly, communicate clearly, and support others with empathy. These are skills that I view translate directly into being a confidence empowering mentor.

What draws me most to BWIP is its commitment to sisterhood, mentorship, and helping young Black women feel seen and supported. I would be honored to bring warmth, encouragement, and positive energy to the girls at camp this summer.

Thank you for considering my application. I would love the opportunity to support your team and help create meaningful experiences for every participant.

Warmly,
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