



First of All Foundation Scholarship 2024 Application

Dear Applicant,

The First of All Foundation would like to offer scholarships to deserving senior high school males matriculating to a four-year college or university.

Our Mission: Developing our youth through Mentorship, Leadership, and Citizenship while also providing Educational and Scholarship opportunities.

This financial assistance is in the form of a one-time scholarship in the amount of \$1000.00 provided by the First of All Foundation 501(c)(3).

We hope you will see this as a partnership and join us in our efforts to identify students that are deserving of a chance to pursue their educational goals. Please note that testaments of character, financial need, and participation in extracurricular activities will all be considered in conjunction with the applicant's academic performance. The scholarship will be available until awarded. All completed applications should be postmarked by May 1, **2024**.

Please do not hesitate to contact us at oslfirstofallfoundation@gmail.com. We look forward to working with you as we invest in our future leaders.

Sincerely,
First of All Foundation
Scholarship Committee
www.foafoundation.org



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Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., the first intercollegiate Greek-letter fraternity established for black students, was organized at Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, on December 4, 1906. Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity was born out of the desire to maintain close association and unified support for members of this small minority group.

With an infinite vision of an organization encompassing the ideals of scholarship, manly deeds, and love for all mankind, our seven founders, whom we respectfully call the "Jewels," aspired to bring forth a fraternity dedicated to social purpose and social action. Currently, Alpha Phi Alpha continues to grow and push for these ideals with such nationally mandated programs as "Project Alpha," "Go To High School, Go To College," "A Voteless People, Is A Hopeless People," and others, which are maintained on both the undergraduate and graduate level.

The fraternity has grown steadily in influence throughout the years. It has been interracial since 1945 and has expanded tremendously to the extent that there are now approximately 800 chapters located throughout the United States, Caribbean Islands, Africa, West Indies, Europe, and Asia. Some of the more prominent sons of Alpha include the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., W.E.B. DuBois, Paul Robeson, Dick Gregory, John Hope Franklin, Thurgood Marshall, Mayor David Dinkins, Adam Clayton Powell, Jr., United States Vice President Hubert Humphrey, John H. Johnson, Duke Ellington, and Jesse Owens.

Omicron Sigma Lambda Chapter

The Omicron Sigma Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. was founded in the early winter of 1987, serving brothers residing in Rutherford County and surrounding areas. Since that day, the brothers of Omicron Sigma Lambda have become widely respected throughout Rutherford County for making a difference in the community while maintaining a steadfast commitment to manly deeds, scholarship, and love for all mankind.

First of All Foundation Scholarship Fund

The First of All Foundation Scholarship Fund was founded to promote the aims of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. providing scholarships to prospective college male students who meet specific academic, service, and leadership eligibility requirements. Soon, the First of All Foundation Scholarship Fund has plans to provide financial assistance scholarships to hundreds of young men in the Rutherford County communities. The financial assistance is in the form of one-time scholarship awards from the scholarship fund.



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APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Please read all instructions carefully before completing this application. Provide answers to all requests for information. Do not leave any request blank. If the request does not apply to you, please indicate by filling the space with “NA.”

I. Eligibility

This scholarship award is open to any graduating high school senior who:

1. Attends High School in Rutherford County/Putnam County/ Wilson County.
2. Fully admitted to a four-year regionally accredited college or university
3. Possesses a minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.75 or better on a 4.0 scale.
4. The applicant is a male.

II. Official Transcript

Please provide an official transcript from your high school counselor or principal. Make sure it indicates the most current GPA and class ranking.

III. Recommendation Form

Please provide 1 one-page letter of recommendation from non-family members such as a Teacher, Counselor, Principal, Mentor, or Pastor.

IV. Essay *(750-1000 words, double-spaced, 12-point font, times new roman)*

Topic: Describe your career goals, and how earning a college degree will help you achieve those goals. How will you use your education and skills to help all of mankind?

VI. Deadline

All application packets must be **submitted by May 1, 2024**. Applicants must submit **completed** application packets. Incomplete application packets will **NOT** be reviewed or returned, eliminating you from the selection process.



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VII. Completed Applications submitted to: oslfirstofallfoundation@gmail.com

VIII. Scholarship Recipients

Those applicants selected to receive this scholarship will be notified. Each recipient is expected to attend the annual First of All Foundation scholarship event held in Murfreesboro, TN. Complimentary tickets to this event will be provided for scholarship recipients and one guest. Additional tickets can be purchased.

IX. Questions or Concerns

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at oslfirstofallfoundation@gmail.com



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General Information

Please print or type all information for this application.

First Name

Last Name

Middle Name

Mailing Street Address

Apt #

City

State

Zip

Contact Number (primary)

Contact Number (secondary)

E-mail Address

Date of Birth

High School

Cumulative GPA

Class Rank (out of how many)

Graduation Date

Parent/Guardian Information

Parent/Guardian Name

Parent/Guardian Name

Contact Number

Contact Number

Standardized Test Information

Have you taken the ACT or SAT? Yes No _____

If so, what was your score? ACT (Please provide a copy) _____



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College Admission Information

List colleges or universities where you have been FULLY accepted for admission.

| College/University | City, State |
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List colleges or universities where your application for admission is in PENDING status.

| College/University | City, State |
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School and Community Club/Organizations

List any student clubs or organizations you have been involved over the last four years.

| Club or Organization | Years of Participation | Office Held |
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Honors and Awards

List any honors or awards you have received within the last four years.

| Honor/Award | Date Received |
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School and Community Athletics

List any sports you have participated in within the last four years.

| Sport | Years Participated | Awards Received |
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Employment

List any honors or awards you have received within the last four years.

| Employer | Position Held |
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Additional Information

Below please indicate any additional information you would like the selection committee to consider while reviewing your application package.

Certification

We verify that the information given in this application is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and that the applicant has not attended any educational institutions other than those listed. We understand that we are responsible for forwarding the applicant's official transcript from the high school he/she currently attends. We understand that all materials submitted in my application package will become the property of the First of All Foundation. Lastly, we understand that if awarded a scholarship, we give the First of All Foundation the right to use the recipient's likeness in promotional material for the purpose of promoting the First of All Foundation.

Signature of Applicant (print)

Signature of Applicant

Signature of Parent/Guardian (print)
Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Application Packet Checklist

Please take your time and complete ALL forms necessary. This checklist is to help students and parents organize the forms needed to apply to the First of All Foundation Scholarship Fund. Please submit the items below.

Check off the following forms when completed.

- Application** *(Be sure it is completed, signed, and submitted by May 1, 2024)*
- Official Transcript**
- Essay** *(750 - 1000 words, double-spaced, 12-point font, times new roman)*
- 1 Letter of Recommendation** **Professional Photo** **Copy of Test Scores** *(optional)*