



Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®
Delta Upsilon Omega Chapter



- 2021 -

High School Senior Scholarship Application

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Seattle, WA 98118

Dear Applicant:

Founded on the campus of Howard University in Washington, DC in 1908, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® is the oldest Greek-letter organization established by and for African-American college trained women. To trace its history is to tell a story of changing patterns of human relations in America in the 20th century. Alpha Kappa Alpha is a sisterhood composed of women who have consciously chosen this affiliation as a means of self-fulfillment through volunteer service. Alpha Kappa Alpha cultivates and encourages high scholastic and ethical standards; promotes unity and friendship among college women; alleviates problems concerning girls and women; maintains a progressive interest in college life; and serves all mankind through a nucleus of more than 250,000 women in the United States, the Caribbean, Europe, Canada and Africa.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® - Delta Upsilon Omega Chapter in Seattle, Washington is dedicated to providing support for lifelong learning. Alpha Kappa Alpha's International Program, "Exemplifying Excellence Through Sustainable Service," is committed to responding to the contemporary needs of the Black family. Our community, specifically our youth must be poised to compete within our world markets. We realize that Education and Scholarship are the passports to that opportunity. Therefore, we believe our scholarships will open doors for a graduating high school senior to realize their future aspirations, hopes and dreams and to prepare to positively impact the world.

We encourage qualifying female high school seniors to apply for these scholarships. We encourage applications from those female students who are poised to further the success of the Black/African American community as they demonstrate academic achievement, leadership qualities and financial need.

All scholarship application packages should be post-marked no later than **March 31, 2021**. Please note that late applications will not be considered for the scholarship.

For further information, please contact Brenda D. Vasser and Jacquelyn Howard, Scholarship Co-Chairmen at programs@akaduo.org.

Truly Yours,

Brenda D. Vasser

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Scholarship Co-Chairman

Jacquelyn Howard

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Jai-Anana Elliott

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Delta Upsilon Omega Chapter President

Delta Upsilon Omega High School Scholarship Details

The Delta Upsilon Omega High School Scholarship consists of at least two \$2,500 non-renewable scholarships for female high school graduating seniors with academic achievement and community service. The purpose of the scholarship program is to encourage and enable female students of Black/African descent to attend college to achieve their future goals. Scholarship recipients should have a strong desire to succeed, as well as meet all the requirements outlined below. **A complete application packet must be submitted for consideration.**

Scholarship Requirements

To be eligible for the Delta Upsilon Omega High School scholarship, each applicant must meet the following requirements:

- ✓ Must be a Black/African descent female student
- ✓ Must be currently enrolled and attending as a full-time high school senior in King County with an expected graduation date no later than June 30, 2021
- ✓ Demonstrate academic achievement by having a minimum 2.7 GPA (on a 4.0 scale) upon high school graduation
- ✓ Must be accepted and enrolled in an accredited four-year college or university for the 2021-2022 academic year
- ✓ Must be involved in at least one extracurricular, civic, or community activity while in high school
- ✓ Possess leadership qualities
- ✓ Show financial need

Award Disbursements

The scholarship award will be paid to the recipients' college or university upon receipt of enrollment verification (student must provide address where funds should be sent as well as enrollment verification).

Application Process Timeline

All applications must be postmarked no later than **March 31, 2021**. Scholarship finalists will be notified by e-mail in early April 2021 with further instructions. If selected, applicants will need to be available for a **mandatory interview in April or May 2021, date and time to be announced.**

Pending Washington state guidance of group gatherings, awardees of the scholarships are expected to attend an award ceremony and will be notified of the date and location as more is known. **Delta Upsilon Omega High School Scholarship Application**

Packet Guidelines

Each application packet must include the following information:

1. Completed Application Form

Applications must be typed or handwritten clearly. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

2. Transcript

Applicants must submit an **official transcript** from their high school with cumulative GPA listed (mailed transcript must be **sealed and unopened**). **Official transcripts** will also be accepted electronically directly from school administration. Please have your administrator email your transcript to info@akaduo.org and to the attention of the Scholarship Committee and must be received by **March 31, 2021**.

3. Enrollment Verification

Applicants must provide proof of enrollment as a full-time student to an accredited four-year college

or university for the 2021–2022 academic year (if received prior to application deadline, must be provided prior to receipt of the scholarship).

4. Recommendations

Applicants must submit three (3) letters of recommendation describing their character and potential from the following individuals:

- (1) High School Counselor
- (1) Current Teacher
- (1) Former teacher or counselor, minister, coach, community activity director, employer, etc.

These letters should be from individuals who can attest to your character, interpersonal relationships, and academic achievements and should not come from family members or peers. *(Each recommendation should be on official letterhead that contains an address and phone number).*

5. Essay

Applicants must submit an original essay responding to the question:

“Describe an ethical dilemma or social justice problem you’d like to solve. Please explain its significance to you and the impact it may have on you, others and perhaps the community.”
(attach separate document: 2-4 pages in length, double spaced, typewritten, max 12pt font)

6. Personal Statement

Applicants must submit a personal statement with an explanation of their financial need, household income, family situation, etc., and how they will benefit from the scholarship.

(attach separate document: 1-2 pages in length, double spaced, typewritten, max 12pt font)

7. Send completed application packets by mail (postmarked no later than March 31, 2021) to:

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated
Delta Upsilon Omega Chapter
Attn: Scholarship Chairmen
P.O. Box 28656
Seattle, Washington 98118

*Submit ONLY the required and requested documents. Additional materials will not enhance your standing and will not be forwarded to the selection committee.

Post Application Submissions

To receive the full disbursement of the scholarship award, recipients will be required to submit the following information no later than **October 9, 2021**.

1. **Enrollment Verification:** for 2021-2022 academic year (if not already submitted with application).
2. **School Mailing Address:** for the school recipient will attend for 2021-2022.

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Date: _____

Student Contact Information

Name _____
(First) (Middle) (Last)

Address _____
(Number and Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Email Address _____ Home Phone () _____

High School _____ Overall GPA _____

College/University
(List Colleges/Universities you will attend in Fall 2021 or which you have been accepted - please include city/state)

Employer _____
(List Employer – If Applicable) (City) (State) (Zip)

Parent / Guardian Contact Information

Name _____
(First, Last, Relationship)

Home Phone () _____ Cell Phone () _____

Email Address _____

Extracurricular Activities / Hobbies

(List sports, student organizations, cheer/dance team, etc. in and out of school; indicate leadership positions held if applicable.)

Volunteer and Community Service

(List all volunteer and civic/community service projects participated in; indicate leadership positions held if applicable.)

Honors/Awards

(List all honors/awards received)

Scholarships

(List other scholarships received – include dollar amount of award)

Essay Please provide an original essay (2-4 pages in length, double spaced, typewritten, max 12pt font) responding to the question:

“Describe an ethical dilemma or social justice problem you’d like to solve. Please explain its significance to you and the impact it may have on you, others and perhaps the community.”

Personal Statement

Please provide a personal statement (1-2 pages in length, double spaced, typewritten, max 12pt font) with an explanation of your financial need, household income, family situation, etc., and how you will benefit from this scholarship.

Question: How did you hear about this scholarship?

Please indicate with an “x”: website email Other (church, school, etc.)

Signature

By signing below, I agree that all information included in the scholarship application packet is true to the best of my knowledge.

Student Signature _____

Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date _____