

Bronx Executive Pearls Fund, Inc. (BEPF)

Scholarship Application

The Bronx Executive Pearls Fund, Inc.(BEPF) is the philanthropic arm of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® Tau Nu Omega Chapter of South Bronx, New York. Our mission is to support, advance, and provide service and education in the South Bronx Community. The scholarship is designed to provide up to \$8,000 in scholarship money over the course of four years. The scholarship is awarded to 2 high school seniors who will be attending a four-year college or university. The recipient(s) must maintain an average of C+ to receive payments of \$1,000 each fall and spring semesters, that they are enrolled in an accredited college or university as a full-time student for up to four years.

Applicants must be:

- A resident of the Bronx
- Of African descent (i.e. African-American, Caribbean, Caribbean-American, Latino, etc.)
- Attending a four-year accredited college and university
- Applying for financial aid

Applications will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- Demonstration of good character and leadership abilities
- Community service
- Academic performance
- Extra-curricular activities and work experience

The selection of applicants is a two-part process as follows:

1. A written application, including one essay and two recommendation letters, reviewed by the scholarship committee and resulting in the selection of finalists; and
2. A personal interview for finalists.

DEADLINE: Applications must be RECEIVED by May 1st.

IMPORTANT TO NOTE: Incomplete applications will NOT be evaluated.

Please forward any questions to the Scholarship Chairman, via email, at taunuomegascholarship@gmail.com.

* Indicates required question

1. Email *

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1. Please read all instructions carefully.
2. Complete all sections of the application.
3. Be sure to include/submit all additional documents by the May 1st deadline date.

ESSAY INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Please answer ONE of the two essay questions (500 words or less).
2. If submitting the essay as an attachment, it must be typed, double-spaced and saved as a PDF. Please place your name and a page number on each page.
3. All essays must be ORIGINAL pieces written by the applicant.
4. Please check spelling and grammar before submission.

RECOMMENDATION & TRANSCRIPT INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Recommendations and the school transcript must be either submitted WITH the completed application as an attachment or indicate in the appropriate section that the recommendation letters and transcript will be submitted BY THE RECOMMENDER or SCHOOL, and sent via email to the Scholarship Chairman at TNOScholarship@gmail.com.

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APPLICANT & FAMILY INFORMATION

2. **Applicant Name** (first and last) *

3. **Address** (street, city, state, zip and apartment/floor # if applicable) *

4. **Cell Phone Number ***

5. **Email Address ***

6. **Date of Birth** (month, day and year) *

7. **Name of Parent / Guardian ***

8. **Cell Phone Number of Parent / Guardian ***

9. **Email Address of Parent / Guardian ***

10. **Family Information** - Please list the number of children in your family under the age of 18 (including applicant).

11. **Family Information** - Number of immediate family members in the household (including applicant).

12. **Family Information** - Are there any members of the household currently enrolled in college? *

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

13. **Family Information** - If yes, please list age, school attending and current year of study (part-time or full-time).

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HIGH SCHOOL / EDUCATION INFORMATION

14. **High School Name** *

15. **High School Address** *

16. **Guidance Counselor or College Advisor Name ***

17. **Phone Number of Counselor / Advisor ***

18. **Email Address of Counselor / Advisor ***

19. **Applicant GPA (on a 4.0 scale) ***

20. **Expected Date of Graduation ***

Example: January 7, 2019

21. **Honors & Awards** - Please list any honors and/or awards received OR you can attach a document outlining your honors/awards, and indicate "ATTACHED" on the line below. If you have no honors / awards list "None" in the space provided.

22. **Scholarships** - Please list any scholarships applied for and indicate if received OR you can attach a document outlining the scholarships you applied for and indicate "ATTACHED" on the line below. If you have not applied for or received any scholarships indicate "None" in the space provided.

23. **Colleges** - Please list all colleges/universities to which you are applying and indicate the decision OR you can attach a document outlining the colleges/universities with the decisions and indicate "ATTACHED" in the space provided.

24. **Extracurricular Activities** - Please list all extracurricular activities including sports, clubs, organizations, programs, etc. and descriptions of your involvement in each (i.e. position/office held) OR you can attach a document outlining your extracurricular activities and indicate "ATTACHED" on the line below.

25. **Community Service** - Please list all community service activities and a description of your involvement in each (i.e. position / office held) OR you can attach a document outlining your community service activities and indicate "ATTACHED" on the line below.

26. **Work Experience** - If applicable, please list all work experience including place of employment, positions held and length of employment OR you can attach a document outlining your work experience and indicate "ATTACHED" on the line below. If you have no work experience indicate "None" in the space provided.

27. Upload your STUDENT ACTIVITY RESUME / SCHOOLS LIST / HONORS & AWARDS LIST / etc. a PDF. (Or you can email the additional documents to the Scholarship Chairman at TNOScholarship@gmail.com. If the any of the requested information is sent via email, please indicate on the corresponding line.)

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28. **Essay Question** - Please answer ONE of the two essay questions in the space provided or attach your answers as a PDF. Essays should be the ORIGINAL work of the applicant. (500 words)

Essay Question #1

Describe someone in your community who is a role model. Why is this person a role model to you?

Essay Question #2

If you had the power to change one thing, what would it be? Why would you change it? How would you change it?

29. Upload your response to the essay question. (Or you can email the document to the Scholars Chairman at TNOScholarship@gmail.com and indicate on the corresponding line above that it was sent via email.)

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RECOMMENDATIONS & TRANSCRIPT INFORMATION

Recommendations and transcript must be either submitted WITH the completed application as an attachment or indicate that the recommendation letter will be submitted BY THE RECOMMENDER or SCHOOL via email to the Scholarship Chairman at

TNOScholarship@gmail.com.

30. **How will your recommendation letter(s) be submitted? ***

Mark only one oval.

- Both recommendation letters will be uploaded to this Google Form.
- Both recommendation letters will be sent via email to the Scholarship Chairman by May 1st.
- One letter of recommendation will be uploaded and the other letter will be sent via email.

31. **UPLOAD letter(s) of recommendation as a PDF.**

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32. **UPLOAD transcript.**

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33. **How will your transcript be submitted? ***

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- Uploaded to this Google Form.
 - Will send via email to the Scholarship Chairman at TNOScholarship@gmail.com by May 1st.
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