

2024 Scholarship Application



Application Deadline Extended: Friday, April 5, 2024
(must be emailed and postmarked by this date)

Dear Scholarship Applicant,



Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® (AKA) is a professional women’s organization established in 1908 by nine Howard University students. The ladies formed a sisterhood what is now a National organization with 1024 chapters and nearly 300,000 members in more than 55 nations and all 50 states. AKA is dedicated to implementing programs of service that enhance the social, economic, and educational well-being of the local, national and international communities. The size and scope of services provided to our communities has grown through the years and significantly improve the quality of life for all who reside within our service areas.

Rho Omega is the local graduate chapter. The chapter was chartered in Wilberforce, Ohio in 1924. The chapter follows the AKA creed “To be Supreme in Service to all Mankind.” and supports the national program theme “*Soaring to Greater Heights of Service and Sisterhood*” This International Program includes five program targets that are designed to advance the mission of Alpha Kappa Alpha with excellence and underscores our commitment to sustainable service.

The current five program initiatives are:

- Empower Our Families
- Build Our Economic Wealth
- Enhance Our Environment
- Advocate for Social Justice
- Uplift Our Local Community

Rho Omega Chapter proudly promotes and encourages leadership through higher education for the next generation of leaders; therefore, we invite you to complete the scholarship application and email it to: Rho.omega08@gmail.com

The completed application package must be emailed by Friday, April 5, 2024. Once your application is received, it will be reviewed by our scholarship committee.

Sincerely, *Rosanna Jivens*

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Mrs. Rosanna Jivens
President, Rho Omega Chapter

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Mrs. Wendy Hayes
Scholarship Committee Chairman

We are pleased that you are taking the next step in your life by furthering your education and applying for our scholarship. Please be sure to read the following criteria carefully and return all required materials by the application deadline.

DISCLAIMER: The recipient of the Rho Omega Chapter scholarship must submit a copy of her college acceptance letter **and** proof of enrollment before monies are released. If for any reason, she does not meet these qualifications; the scholarship award is null and void.



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BACKGROUND: The Alpha Kappa Alpha Rho Omega Scholarship was created by the chapter to support students in Clark and Greene County. Each year, Rho Omega Chapter provides a scholarship to a deserving African American, female student who has demonstrated high scholastic achievement, proven leadership, and community service. The scholarship candidate must show proof of acceptance by an accredited 4-year college or university. Please see the enclosed information for more detailed application criteria.

PURPOSE: To provide financial assistance to a graduating high school senior who plans on attending an accredited 4-year college or university.

AWARD & PAYMENT OF FUNDS: Upon proof of enrollment the award will be made payable to the college or university you are attending.

CRITERIA & INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE AKA APPLICATION SUBMISSION: Each item of information on the application must be completed. All information will be kept confidential. You must print legibly or type all responses on the application. The application must be signed by you and your Parent or Legal guardian.

1. The following additional documents must be attached/included with the completed application:
 - a. Cover Sheet/Application Checklist (template enclosed)
 - b. Essay Content
 - i. An essay that includes your special interests and abilities, accomplishments, future goals/aspirations to include your five/ten year vision, and any other facts the scholarship committee should know to help you obtain the award.
 - ii. The essay must be typed with a 200-word minimum and should not exceed 2 pages.
 - iii. Must include Applicant's Name in the header
 - iv. Must be typed, double-spaced, with one-inch margins, and 12-point font Times New Roman.
 - c. Photo (optional)
 - d. Two (2) character reference letters; letters of recommendation may not be written by family members and must be signed for acceptance.
 - i. One from a school (teacher (former/present), counselors, principals, etc.)
 - ii. One from a non-school community service-related activity (volunteer work, job, church, or other organization that you participate in)
 - e. An official high school transcript with GPA (cannot be more than 4 months old);
 - f. Award Acknowledgement

2. Email the completed application with attachments to: Rho.omega08@gmail.com.

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SELECTION OF WINNER: The AKA Scholarship Committee will determine eligibility and identify the scholarship winner no later than mid-April.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION: The scholarship winner will be recognized by AKA Rho Omega at their respective High School scholarship assembly.

CRITERIA TO RECEIVE AWARD: The scholarship winner must submit an enrollment confirmation letter on university/college stationary displaying his/her student ID number to rho.omega08@gmail.com. The award must be used within 12 months from the date it is awarded. *Additional information on Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® programs and activities can be found at:* <https://aka1908.com>



2024 Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® Scholarship Application COVER SHEET/APPLICATION CHECKLIST

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name:			
Address:			
Cell Phone:	Home Phone:		
Email Address:			

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

High School:			
Graduation Date:	GPA:		
College/University you plan on attending:			
Type of degree sought:			
Date of planned enrollment:			

REQUIRED INFORMATION

<input type="checkbox"/> Completed Scholarship Application Cover Sheet;
<input type="checkbox"/> Completed Essay
<input type="checkbox"/> Photo (optional)
<input type="checkbox"/> Two (2) character reference letters;
<input type="checkbox"/> An official high school transcript (cannot be more than 4 months old); <input type="checkbox"/>
Signed Award Acknowledgement

Email the required information to: Ms. Wendy Hayes at rho.omega08@gmail.com.

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AWARD ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I understand that if I am selected as the scholarship winner, that I must submit an enrollment confirmation letter on university/college stationary with my student ID number to rho.omega08@gmail.com in order to receive my award.

Signature:

Date Submitted:

*** TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AKA SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE ***

Received by:

Date Received:

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