

## Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® Theta Chi Omega Chapter

### 2024 Scholarship Application

Dear Scholarship Applicant: The women of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated The Chi Omega Chapter are pleased to offer scholarships to high school students residing and attending a school within Kent County public school districts who demonstrate academic excellence and perform community service projects in our area. The scholarship offer is also extended to college students with a Michigan residence, but attending any college or university. We invite eligible students to complete the following application and submit it using the online form on our website (preferred) or by email to <a href="mailto:akatcoscholarships@gmail.com">akatcoscholarships@gmail.com</a> no later than Sunday, April 7th, 2024, by 11:59 pm.

#### **Levels of Awards:**

• **High School Students 9-12:** Tuition support of \$250 minimum for summer academic, music, technology, arts, educational travel programs/camps

• Graduating High School Seniors: \$1,500 minimum

• College Students: \$1,500 minimum

#### **Eligibility**

- 9-12<sup>th</sup> grade students residing in and attending a Kent County public school district. (\*Students who attend private, specialty, or charter schools in these public school districts are eligible to apply.)
- 2.75 cumulative GPA
- Evidence of contribution to the school/community
- Acceptance to a tuition-based academic/arts/travel summer program (9th-11th grade); Acceptance to a 2-year, 4-year college or university or career and technical education program (graduating senior)
- College applicants must submit a Fall 2024 semester schedule (full time status as defined by the attending college/university), and a current transcript indicating a minimum 3.0 GPA

Required Materials Checklist (to check the boxes in this document, double-click on the box to bring up a dialog box and change from "Not checked" to "Checked" and then click OK at the bottom of the box or right-click on the box to bring up "Properties." Click Properties, change the default value from Not checked to Checked, and click OK.

Typed Completed Application (application automatically adds your text)
High School Transcript/ College transcript (electronic or officially sealed)
A copy of your acceptance to higher education institution/summer academic or arts program brochure (high school)
A copy of your Fall 2024 course schedule (full time status as defined by the attending college/university)
Current resume (college applicants only)
Attach or email a digital or color photo to <a href="mailto:akatcoscholarships@gmail.com">akatcoscholarships@gmail.com</a>
A typed essay of no more than 750 words that addresses the following topic:

Please use the blank pages at the end of your application to write your essay (600 - 750 words) on the following topic:

**Prompt:** Mental health awareness is a key factor in managing and navigating through life. Those who are able to productively manage the demands and circumstances that life can bring, typically have adopted some philosophy, strategies, or habits that drive their emotional and mental toughness. The lessons we take from obstacles we encounter can be fundamental to later success. Recount a time when you faced a challenge, setback, or failure. How did it affect you, and what did you learn from the experience?

See the writing resources on our scholarship application page for tools and tips for writing your essay.\*

https://www.akagrandrapids.org/aka-scholarship.html

#### **Submission & Deadline**

Completed application packets can be submitted electronically or by email no later than Sunday, April 7, 2024 by 11:59 pm.

**Electronic documents** should be emailed to <a href="mailto:akatcoscholarships@gmail.com">akatcoscholarships@gmail.com</a>. Please use MS Word, Google Docs, or PDF file format.

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(This form is also available online <a href="https://www.akagrandrapids.org/aka-scholarship.html">https://www.akagrandrapids.org/aka-scholarship.html</a>. Please send your document to <a href="mailto:akatcoscholarships@gmail.com">akatcoscholarships@gmail.com</a> no later than <a href="mailto:Sunday">Sunday</a>, <a href="mailto:April 7">April 7</a>, <a href="mailto:2024">2024</a>, <a href="mailto:by 11:59 pm">by 11:59 pm</a>)

Directions: Open this document in MS Word or Google Docs. Click near the beginning of the line to start typing information. The cursor will appear on the line. Begin typing your information.

APPLICANT INFORMATION:		
First Name:	Last	
Address:	Apt/Unit:	
City:	Zip:	
Best Phone #:	Date of Birth (mm/date/yyyy):	
Email address:		
Guardian #2:	(high school only) Guardian# 2:	
EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION (*9th-grade s	students may use middle school history, college Freshmen can u	use high school history)
Leadership roles held in the last two (2) acad	demic years	
Honors		and
Awards received during the past two (2) acad	demic years	
events sponsored by Alpha Kappa Alpha Soro	hool) and community service activities. Please include participa ority, Inc.® Theta Chi Omega Chapter. e.g., #CAP Program, Fashi n or events, AKA-sponsored community service events, or other	ionetta®
ONLY		
High School Name:	Graduation Date:	
Cum GPA:		

List up to four colleges/universities and technical/vocational i clicking the checkbox. ( <i>Double click on the box and choose December 2</i> )	institutions to which you have applied. Please indicate acceptance by efault Value "Checked" and then OK)			
1	2			
3.	4			
Which institution are you most likely to attend?				
List your intended major or field of study. Indicate "Undecide	d" if no area has been chosen.			
Major or Field of Study:				
School's or Principal's Name/Phone #:				
name	phone #			
HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT APPLICANTS ONLY				
High School Name:	Grade:			
Cum GPA:	Anticipated Graduation Date:			
Summer Program Name:	Program Date (s):			
Sponsoring Institution:				
Website:	Tuition/Cost:			
Please provide a brief description of the summer program.				
receiving any other scholarships/fee waivers/financial assista	nce to attend?			
If you answered yes or maybe, please explain:				
College Student Applicants Only				
Submit a current resume.				
Major:	Minor:			
Any completed internships or field experiences:				
Enlistment in any branch of the military:				

#### **Essay Section** (All Applicants):

Please submit your essay (600-750 words) on the following topic: (12-point font size, paragraph style format)

Please use the blank pages below to write your essay (600-750 words) on the following topic:

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