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Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®, Omega Tau Omega Chapter, in partnership with York County Pearls of Promise, announce the 2024 scholarship season! In the spring, Omega Tau Omega Chapter will award **six** college scholarships to high school students, based on requirements, eligibility, and criteria. The awarding of the scholarships actuates our mission to be of service to all mankind by supporting lifelong learning.

Requirements & Eligibility:

- Applicants **must** be an African American male or female high school senior graduating in May or June 2024.
- Applicants **must** be planning to attend an accredited college, university, or other higher learning institution. **Scholarship recipients must provide proof of acceptance and enrollment before funds are disbursed.**
- Applicants **must** have a minimum **2.5 grade point average** on a 4-point scale (unweighted).
- Applicants **must** reside in South Carolina or North Carolina.

The application packet **must** include the following:

- A completed 2024 application form which includes evidence of a **minimum** of 20 community service hours over the past year.
- The applicant's ***official*** high school transcript.
- Two (2) letters of recommendation (**letters from family will not be accepted**).
- A typed essay on the topic as indicated on the application form.
- A wallet size photograph.
- Selection of ***one*** scholarship category (see signature page).

The application process begins December 1st and ends on April 30th.

All application packets must be postmarked on or before April 30, 2024. Incomplete or late application packets will not be considered.

2024 Scholarship Application

(Please print legibly or type.)

Student Information		
First Name:	Last Name:	Middle Initial:
Mailing Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Student Cell / Phone Number (Include Area Code):		
Student Email Address:		
Date of Birth (Month / Day / Year):	Anticipated Graduation Date:	
Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA): <i>on a 4.0 scale, unweighted</i> <i>**Official high school transcript required**</i>	School District:	
Name & Address of High School (currently attending):		

School Counselor Name, Phone Number (include area code) & Email Address:

If you have decided on the accredited higher learning institution you will attend Fall of 2024, please list the name of this institution on Line 1. If you haven't selected, list your top 3 choices below:

1.

2.

3.

What degree(s)/majors(s) are you interested in pursuing:

1.

2.

3.

What are your hobbies and recreation activities? (Include volunteer and community service activities):

What leadership roles / positions have you served in?

Parent or Legal Guardian Information		
First Name:	Last Name:	Middle Initial:
Mailing Address (if different from student):		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Cell / Home / Work Phone Number (Include Area Code):		

Other Requirements
<p>1. References: Applicants must submit two (2) non-relative references (including one from a high school counselor). References should be on official organization, church, business, or school letterhead. Examples of possible references include: schoolteachers, church leaders, community leaders, employers, supervisors, etc.</p>
<p>2. A 300-500 word typed essay on one of the following topics which will include: significance in and the impact of the topic on the African American community:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Community Service: If you could choose a community service project or activity to support or participate in, which one(s) would you choose and why? ○ The Environment: What is environmental awareness and what does it mean to you? What actions are you taking that display your love for the environment? ○ Social Justice: Voter suppression is becoming more common and is fundamentally impacting voting rights for many Blacks/African Americans. Why is voting important to you? Identify at least one strategy to combat voter suppression.

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY AND CONSENT

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, it is mandatory that I attend my school's award ceremony to receive my award.

I hereby understand the monetary award will be sent directly to the school, after proof of enrollment is provided to the scholarship committee.

I hereby give Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Omega Tau Omega Chapter of Fort Mill, SC permission to use my name, photograph and/or likeness in the advertisement and promotion of the Omega Tau Omega Chapter/York County Pearls of Promise Scholarship Program.

I hereby understand that if I submit this application without all required attachments and supporting documents, it will be disqualified. Incomplete applications, or applications that do not meet eligibility criteria will **not** be considered.

Signature of scholarship applicant: _____ Date: 

Signature of parent/guardian: _____ Date: 

Please select the scholarship you are applying for (you can only select one):

Please note...the Prestigious scholarship (highest essay score) will be awarded based on the final scores of the essays.

1. _____ **Community Service Scholarships:** This scholarship is awarded to two (2) high school seniors who have made a major impact in the community by completing 200, or more, hours of community service.
2. _____ **Service to Mankind Scholarship:** This scholarship is awarded to one (1) high school senior pursuing a degree that is focused on serving the community and/or caring for others, such as education, medical field, or social work.
3. _____ **For the Culture:** This scholarship is awarded to one (1) high school senior who is planning on attending an HBCU.
4. _____ **High eSTEAM Scholarship:** This scholarship is awarded to one (1) high school senior pursuing a degree focused on science, technology, engineering, arts, or mathematics.

**Copy this page if additional sheets are needed to record community hours served.*

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The student is responsible for the assembly of a complete application packet. The school counselor must email the official transcript directly to the scholarship committee. For any questions, please send an email to the Scholarship Chairman at scholarship@akasinfortmill.com

INCOMPLETE PACKETS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

Application Packet Checklist

1. Completed Application Form
2. Completed Community Service Hours Table
3. Two (2) letters of reference (**letters from family will not be accepted**)
4. Typed Essay
5. Official School Transcript and GPA
6. Wallet size photograph
7. Selection of **one** scholarship category

Application Period: December 1, 2023 – April 30, 2024

EMAIL COMPLETED APPLICATION PACKET TO: scholarship@akasinfortmill.com

Attn: EAF/Scholarship Committee Chairman

**Completed Application Packet must be received on or before April 30, 2024.
No EXCEPTIONS.**