

## Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® Gamma Phi Omega Chapter Buffalo, New York

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The dynamic groups of African American women who organized the Sorority were concerned about the social issues of their time. One generation removed from slavery; these young women understood the privilege that they had to pursue their education at a highly respected institution. With this opportunity, these women used their college experiences to address the challenges in their community.

As our world's diversity becomes more the topic of discussion, the need for advocacy increases. Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®, as an international organization, sets a precedent for addressing political and social issues present in our global communities. The influence of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® continues to positively impact our world; its legacy continues to promote higher education, lifelong sisterhood, and service to all mankind.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®, Gamma Phi Omega Chapter, is pleased to offer several financial incentives awards each year. The recipient(s) of this assistance award will receive financial support to be used towards collegiate educational expenses.

Enclosed is the 2024 Scholarship Application. African American female high school seniors who are planning to enter a four-year college in the fall of 2024 and whose three-year average is at least 3.0 may apply. Please distribute the application, which may be distributed to eligible students.

For more information please contact:

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®
Gamma Phi Omega Chapter
Attn: Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 3231
Buffalo, New York 14240
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In the spirit of our rich history, the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®, Gamma Phi Omega Chapter is pleased to announce the Gamma Phi Omega Chapter Educational Assistance Award. This award will be awarded based on academic achievement, financial needs, leadership, community service and character. The selection process for semifinalists will include a virtual interview.

Before submission, it is strongly recommended that applicants carefully review their application packet for completion, grammar, spelling, and content. Incomplete application materials will be subject to automatic disqualification. Any questions, pertaining to the application or the interview process, should be emailed to akagposcholars@gmail.com.

#### Part 1: Eligibility Requirements:

- Applicant must be an African American Female planning to attend a four-year college.
- 2. Applicants must be a high school senior.
- 3. Applicants' permanent residence must be in Erie/Niagara County.
- 4. Applicant must hold a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.0 or higher, on a 4.0 scale.
- 5. Applicant must be accepted (or acceptance forthcoming) at an accredited four-year college or university.



#### Part 2: Application Requirements:

Incomplete applications are subject to automatic disqualification. Completed applications must include the following:

- 1. Two letters of recommendation: one letter written by applicant's current High School Counselor or High School Principal and the other letter should be from another reference (i.e. faculty, coach, church, or organizational leader, etc.).
- 2. Sealed transcripts from your current high school.

#### Part 3: Application Submission:

Completed applications must be postmarked on or before Tuesday, April 30, 2024. The selected finalists will be interviewed on the following days Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup> & Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Applicants will be notified on Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup>. There will be a reception for awardees on Wednesday, June 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

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### **2024 EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE AWARD APPLICATION**

Please TYPE or PRINT responses in blue or black ink. If additional space is needed, please attach additional pages.

I. STUDENT PROFILE:				
First Name:	Middl	e Name:	Last Name:	
High School:				
Permanent Address:				
City:		_Zip Code:		
Home Phone: ( )		Mobile Phone:	( )	
Email Address:				
Preferred method of con	tact (select one):	Cell Phone	EmailHome T	Telephone
Please list the family mer Family Member's Full Na		•		Age
Please list ALL scholarship		•		
Scholarship Amount	Renewable (Y	7N)		



## II. PERSONAL STATEMENTS:

Please respond to all 3 statements: Each response must not exceed 100-word count limit.

1. Explain how you have served as a role model for girls in your high school or community. What was your impact as a role model?
2. If you were to give an important speech or a TED talk what would it be about? What would be your one sentence takeaway from the presentation?
3. If you could meet with any person past or present for an hour, who would it be and what would you say to them?
III. ESSAY: Please respond to the question below; essay response must not exceed 500-word count limit
Write about a time that you failed at something or did not meet your expectations. How did the challenge of disappointment affect you? What did you learn about yourself from the experience?