



***Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®
Sigma Iota Omega Chapter***

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Please select two Scholarship(s) you would like to be considered for.

- Frances McArthur Cummings Scholarship** – Applicant is pursuing a career in education as a teacher, has demonstrated outstanding achievement, leadership, and community involvement. **Grade Point Average** 2.5 and higher.
- Think HBCU Scholarship** - Applicant has been accepted and plans to attend a Historically Black College or University. **Grade Point Average** 3.0 and higher.
- Ivy Memorial Scholarship** - Applicant has demonstrated outstanding achievement, leadership, and involvement in school, extra-curricular activities, and church and community. **Grade Point Average** 3.2 and higher.
- Merit Scholarship** - Applicant has demonstrated exceptional community involvement and presents a financial hardship. **Grade Point Average** 2.5 and higher.
- Excel Award Scholarship** - Applicant has demonstrated the potential to excel in college and has school and community involvement. **Grade Point Average** 2.5 to 3.0.
- Book Award Scholarship** - Applicant has been accepted to an accredited college or university and overall impressive application. **Grade Point Average** 2.5 or higher.

CHECKLIST

- Application** (signed, dated by student and parent)
- Grade Point Average Weighted** (meets criteria for scholarship applying for)
- Two reference sheets filled out completely** (School reference, Community reference). Reference sheets must be in **SEPARATE** sealed envelopes.
- Photo** (headshot)
- Essay** (typed essay of 300 words or less)
- Transcript** (Official high school transcript)
- Acceptance Letter** (Letter of acceptance to an accredited college or university)



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2020 Scholarship Application**

Complete this form and SUBMIT it along with your scholarship checklist, reference sheet, photo, essay, an OFFICIAL school transcript, and letter of acceptance/confirmation of receipt of a completed application from college/university.

Mail application materials to: Sigma Iota Omega Chapter P.O. Box 223, Fairmont, NC 28340 **postmarked by *Friday, March 20, 2020***. Applicants **WILL NOT** be contacted if any part of an application is missing. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed or accepted. **Note:** Scholarship information will not be returned.

STUDENT INFORMATION:

Name:

Address:

Street

City

State

Home/Cell Phone Number: _____

Name(s) of Parent(s)/Guardians:

Parent(s) Occupations:

(Father) _____

(Mother) _____

Number of brothers and sisters currently attending college/vocational school:

Number of younger brothers and sisters:

College/University Choices:

Proposed majors or areas of study in college:

Career goals:

Cumulative Grade Point Average: Weighted _____ Unweighted _____

Class Rank: _____ of _____ No Class Rank _____

Highest SAT Score: Critical Reading _____ Math _____

Highest ACT Composite Score: _____

Identify any specific financial hardships that would make it difficult for your family to finance your education. Please be specific: If none, please indicate so.

Have you ever participated in ASCEND, #CAP and/or AKA Debutante Ball? If so, what year?

Do you have any family members that are active members of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®?

If so, list the sorority member's name and current chapter of membership:

Have you participated in any community service activities? If so, please list:

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| 1. _____ | 6. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 7. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 8. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 9. _____ |
| 5. _____ | 10. _____ |

I certify that all of the information included in this packet is factual and true. Any information that has been falsified or misrepresented may result in the withdrawal of recommendation and forfeiture of scholarships or awards.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

ESSAY QUESTION:

In a typed double-spaced essay of no more than 300 words, please describe yourself and the qualities that would make you a deserving candidate for a scholarship. Please include qualities that distinguish you from other applicants and how obtaining a college degree would impact your future goals and aspirations.

5. Other comments?

6. Do you recommend this person as a recipient of an Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated[®] Sigma Iota Omega Chapter Scholarship?

(Circle one) Highly recommend Recommend
 Recommend with reservations Do not recommend

Printed Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

This reference must be returned to the applicant in a sealed envelope with the recommender's signature across the seal.

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Community Member Reference Sheet

(This should not be a teacher or other school personnel unless they also have a relationship with the applicant as a community member)

Applicants Name:

1. How long have you known the applicant?

2. In what capacity have you known the applicant? What is your occupation?

3. Please evaluate the applicant in the following areas: (Circle only one number for each item using the following scale)

1-Poor, 2-Average, 3-Very Good, 4-Excellent, N-Not observed

Moral Character 1 2 3 4 N

Leadership 1 2 3 4 N

Ability to Communicate 1 2 3 4 N

Personal Maturity 1 2 3 4 N

Ability to work with others 1 2 3 4 N

Reliability 1 2 3 4 N

Emotional Stability 1 2 3 4 N

Interpersonal Relationships 1 2 3 4 N

Willingness to Learn 1 2 3 4 N

4. What do you see as the applicant's strengths?

5. Other comments?

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