Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated

 Epsilon Omega Omega Chapter

**Scholarship Showcase Committee**

**P.O. Box 4823**

**Macon, GA 31208**

November 18, 2024

Dear Student,

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, Epsilon Omega Omega Chapter will award several scholarships to students graduating from high schools in the Bibb, Baldwin, Jones, Twiggs, and Wilkinson County areas. Students applying for any of the available scholarships must **reside in and attend school** in Bibb, Baldwin, Jones, Twiggs, or Wilkinson County. All scholarships are open to females and males of all races and national or ethnic origins.

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| **Scholarship** | **Amount** | **Who Should Apply** |
| Eddye Mae Booth Leadership Scholarship | $1,500 - $2,500 | Student who has demonstrated exceptional commitment to student leadership and academic success |
| Ruth Johnston Community Service Scholarship  | $1,500 - $2,500 | Student who has demonstrated exceptional commitment to community service and academic success |
| Valeria Williams Music Scholarship | $1,500 - $2,500 | Student who has demonstrated excellence in instrumental and/or vocal performance and academic success |
| Epsilon Omega Omega Exemplary Youth Scholarship  | $1,500 - $2,500 | Student who has demonstrated exceptional commitment to academic success, student leadership, and community service |

**Scholarship Instructions**

1. **The application deadline is Friday, January 31, 2025.** Application packets must be **either** emailed to akaeooscholarships@gmail.com or received/postmarked by the deadline and remitted to (Please do not send certified mail that requires a signature.):

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1. An official transcript which includes Semester 1 final grades or an official transcript and an official copy of Semester 1 progress report must accompany all applications. If submitting your application electronically, transcripts must be sent directly from your school counselor or registrar to the following email address akaeooscholarships@gmail.com If mailing your application packet, official transcripts must be labeled “official transcript”; the documents, signed by the counselor or registrar, and bear the school’s seal. If applying for multiple scholarships, only one official transcript needs to be submitted.
2. Each applicant must have a grade point average of 3.0 or higher. Please note that Epsilon Omega Omega Exemplary Youth Scholarship applicants must have straight A’s from 9th through 12 grade.
3. Each applicant must submit two letters of recommendation. Letters of recommendation must bear the writer’s official handwritten signature. The academic letter must be completed by an academic teacher, counselor or administrator of the school you currently attend. The second recommendation may be from an individual familiar with your character, school activities, or community involvement. Valeria Williams Music Scholarship applicants must submit written documentation from two individuals verifying musical performance. Relatives may not write recommendations.
4. Each Valeria Williams Music Scholarship applicant will prepare two (2) pieces of music representing different styles:
* Classical Piece - Must provide a coy of written music along with this application
* Choice Piece (any genre) - Provide a copy of music if available

Judging criteria for instrumental performances include accuracy, rhythm, phrasing, and dynamics. Judging criteria for vocal performances may also include, but are not limited to, facial expressions and showmanship.

Each applicant will be required to perform a sight-reading piece. The applicant will have two minutes to review. Judging criteria may include rhythm, phrasing, and dynamics.

Each applicant will take a music quiz on his/her understanding of music basics and theory. Elements on the quiz will include note recognition, tempo, and dynamics.

An audition will be scheduled in March 2025. Eligible applicants will be notified of the performance date and time. Scoring for the entire performance:

* Traditional Selection 40%
* Choice Selection 30%
* Sight-reading 20%
* Music Theory 10%
1. Each applicant must submit one Community/Leadership Involvement Verification form.
2. Each applicant must complete a typed 500-word essay based on the scholarship applied.
3. Scholarship award is contingent upon submission of an enrollment verification form from the college or university for the Fall 2025 Semester and a completed scholarship information form. The verification submission deadline is September 12, 2025. After this date, funds will no longer be available.
4. The Scholarship Showcase is scheduled for April 2025. Details are forthcoming. All scholarship recipients should participate in the Scholarship Showcase.
5. For additional information, contact Dr. Shandra Yarbrough at 478-335-6643.

All scholarship applicants will be judged on scholarship, character, school and community activities, and essay. Valeria Williams Music Scholarship applicants will also be judged on musical performance.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Dr. Shandra Yarbrough

Scholarship Showcase Chairman

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

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Scholarship Application

Directions: Please type or write in blue/ black ink all requested information.

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| **APPLICANT INFORMATION** |
| First Name        | Middle Name       | Last Name       |
| Street Address       | City       | State       | Zip       |
| Home Phone       | Cell Phone       | Email Address       |
| Date of Birth       | Gender [ ]  Female [ ]  Male |
| **PARENT / GUARDIAN INFORMATION** |
| 1) Parent / Guardian Name       | Relationship       |
| Phone Number       | Email Address       |
| 2) Parent / Guardian Name       | Relationship       |
| Phone Number       | Email Address       |
| **HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION** |
| High School Currently Attending       | Overall GPA       |
| Address       | City       | State       | Zip       |
| **COLLEGE ASPIRATIONS** |
| College / University You Applied or Have Been Accepted       |
| Intended Major / Field of Study       |
| **SCHOLARSHIPS – check scholarship(s) for which you are applying**  |
| [ ]  Eddye Mae Booth Leadership Scholarship  |
| [ ]  Ruth Johnston Community Service Scholarship  |
| [ ]  Valeria Williams Music Scholarship |
| [ ]  Epsilon Omega Omega Exemplary Youth Scholarship  |

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| **EXTRA-CURRICULAR / COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES** |
| **Name of Group / Activity** | **Grade (Check boxes that apply)** | **Leadership Positions Held (if applicable)** |
| **9th** | **10th** | **11th** | **12th**  |
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| **HONORS / AWARDS / RECOGNITIONS** |
| **Name of Group / Activity** | **Grade (Check boxes that apply)** | **Source / Reason for Award** |
| **9th** | **10th** | **11th** | **12th**  |
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| **SIGNATURES** |
| Applicant’s Signature | Date       |
| Parent / Guardian’s Signature | Date       |

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| **COMMUNITY/LEADERSHIP INVOLVEMENT VERIFICATION (CLIV) FORM****INSTRUCTIONS:** Please record information below regarding your involvement in community/campus/leadership activities or programs that have occurred within the last three (3) years. All applicants must submit at least one (1) but cannot exceed three (3) CLIV forms for the Eddye Mae Booth Leadership Scholarship and Ruth Johnston Community Service Scholarship. This form should be completed in its entirety, and any information or documents without signatures will not be accepted. |
| First Name        | Middle Name       | Last Name       |
| Title of Activity or Program        | Start Date       | End Date       |
| Location of Activity or Program       | # of hours completed       |
| Goal of Activity/Program:       |
| Population Served (check all that apply): [ ] Youth [ ] Peers [ ] Adults [ ] Other (specify): |
| Describe your specific involvement:       |
| 1. How did the program positively impact the population served?       |
| 2. Did you meet the goal of the activity/program? Explain.       |
| 3. How did your involvement in the program affect you?       |
| By signing this form, I verify that all information I have provided is true and correct. I understand that at any time, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, Epsilon Omega Omega Chapter can rescind any rights or privileges to an applicant based on the submission of false information or documents. |
| Applicant’s Signature | Date       |
| Name of Advisor (Please Print)       | Advisor’s Email Address       |
| Location       | Phone       |
| Signature of Advisor | Date       |

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| **ESSAY****In 500 words or less, answer the question or respond to the statement for the application(s) for which you are applying. If you are applying for more than one scholarship, you must submit an essay for each scholarship. Responses must be typed.** |
| **Scholarship** | **Essay Question** |
| Eddye Mae Booth Leadership Scholarship | Discuss a leadership experience you have had in any area of your life: school, work, athletics, family, church, community, etc. How and why did you become a leader in this area? How did this experience influence your goals?  |
| Ruth Johnston Community Service Scholarship  | Discuss your involvement and contributions to a community near your home, school, or elsewhere. What did you accomplish? How did this experience influence your goals? |
| Valeria Williams Music Scholarship | Explain your contribution to the community using musical talent. |
| Epsilon Omega Omega Exemplary Youth Scholarship  | Explain how you will use your college education to better your community. |